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To-day's Events

DECEMBER

27 Customs and Bank holiday (55)
27 Queen of Italy's birthday (1872)
27 For. Y. Lecture: 'Nutritional Values,' 9

Coming Events

DECEMBER

28 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Rd., Public Lecture cancelled
28 'Traviata,' Lyceum, 9
29 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
29 Rummage Sale, U.C. Hall, Limbless Fund
29 Royal Asiatic Society Annual Soiree
29 7th Rover Ball, Masonic Hall, 9
29 For. Y. Debate: 'Pacifism and Warmakers,' 9
30 'Faust,' Lyceum, 9

JANUARY, 1939

3 Shanghai R.U.F.C. vs. British Services, Canidrome, 3
5 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
5 S.W.A. Meeting, C.S.F., 4
5 Royal Asiatic Society, Lecture
5 'The Divorced Wife' (The Girl in the Train), music by Leo Fall, Russian Light Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
5 For. Y. Debate: 'Naughty and Interesting vs. Good but Dull,' 9
6 Shai. Dialect Club, Foreign Y, 6
6 Leonid Kreutzer, Lyceum, 9.15
7 'The Divorced Wife,' Light Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
8 A.T.A. 'Libel' at S.J.S. in aid of Austrian and German refugees, 8.30
8 'The Divorced Wife,' Light Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
9 Choral Society Practice, 5.30
9 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
9 Leonid Kreutzer, Lyceum, 9.15
9 I.E.E. (China Centre) General Meeting, Park Hotel, 5.15
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12 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
12 B.U.S.C. Lecture by T. Spikins, Esq., Gas Engineer, 114 Peking Road, 6
12 Le Ballet Russe, Grand Premiere of Tschaikowsky's ballet: 'Le Lac des Cygnes' (The Swan Lake), Lyceum Theatre, 9
12 For. Y. Debate: 'Missionaries—Harm vs. Good,' 9
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14 Ballet Russe, 'Lac des Cygnes,' Lyc., 9
15 Ballet Russe, 'Lac des Cygnes,' Lyc., 2.15
15 Ballet Russe, 'Lac des Cygnes,' Lyc., 9
19 For. Y. Debate: 'Enslaved Women,' 9
19 Royal Asiatic Society, Annual Meeting
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THE JAPANESE CONSULATE-GENERAL,

Shanghai, December 24, 1938.

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ALLMAN, DAVIES & KOPS,
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The S.N. Railway:
Serious Question Involved

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your recent leader on "The Railway Issue" should show the Japanese authorities that their continued occupation of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway is a serious matter, and that their unreasonable attitude must give rise to extreme dissatisfaction.

The Japanese have repeatedly assured everyone that it is their intention to respect the third party interests. If this is the case, then why do they not invite the representatives of the British interests to inspect the line, and give them free access to it to enable them to report from time to time on the condition of the security of the third party interests?

According to Japanese reports, they are making both military and commercial use of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway. They thus obtain a service from the investments of the third parties, but they have not yet made the least gesture to pay for such services. If they value foreign opinion in any way, and wish us to place any value on their sincerity, then they must come forward with some scheme to recompense the Bondholders and Net Profit Certificate holders for at least the income losses that have been suffered since the line was occupied, and operation restricted to meet only their own requirements.

Investors have no desire to quarrel with anyone. All they want is a return on their money, security for their investment and recognition of their protective rights as specified in the Loan Agreement, and it is imperative that something be done without further delay.

BONDHOLDER.

Shanghai, Dec. 26.

Rue Maresca:
Complaint Supported

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—While agreeing with FED-UP that the noise and stench rate-payers have suffered while the low lying sections of Rue Maresca has been filled in has been very trying, I do believe that this work will prove a boon to residents. Some frog croaking, mosquito breeding swamps has certainly been done away with.

Endorsing the other views of FED-UP may I voice a few additions thereto.

The section of Rue Maresca west of Route Magy which was, until most of the empty spaces were taken up by lumber yards about a year ago, a peaceful street with no traffic problems is now at times practically inaccessible on account of the presence of dozens of lumber trucks, hand carts, barrows etc.

Conditions would not be so bad if the full width of the street was utilized, but being one of the streets where only half is asphalted, the other half being left as a badly neglected cinder road, naturally only the asphalted part is used by rickshas, handcarts and pedestrians moving in both directions. The pedestrians have no other place to walk as it is dangerous to move on the side walk owing to Foochow poles being carried across continuously from dawn to late in the afternoon.

The fact that park spaces in front of residences are being monopolized by the lumber transporting vehicles also cause a great deal of inconvenience to the ratepayers.

As the police patrols and mobile units take no notice whatsoever of these conditions I venture to suggest that the members of the French Municipal Highway Department take a ride along Rue Maresca and get acquainted with the prevailing conditions.

If nothing is done in the near future to regulate the traffic, repair the street and check the rapidly expanding Route Magy market I might suggest that the street is re-named and called "Rue Pandemonium."

ALSO FED-UP.

Shanghai, Dec. 23.

That Pamphlet:
A Reader's Indignation

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I have just received and read the enclosed vile anti-Jewish propaganda pamphlet by anti-Jewish K.K.K.

Personally I have been just sympathetic towards the Jews and think they are having a bad break, but I never imagined until I read the mouthings of these maniacs that sign themselves "Anti-Jewish K. K. K." what the Jews were up against.

I enclose $10 for the Jewish refugees as a token of my sympathy. Will you please pass it on.

METHODIST.

Shanghai, Dec. 23

Christmas Hamper:
Thanks from Recipient

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—The recipient wishes to thank the donors of the Social Service Board for the lovely and unexpected X'mas hamper received. Gratitude cannot be expressed in words for the kindness I have received from them, and hope that we who receive the lovely gifts and help will not forget to recompense them in some way.

I wish to extend my best wishes for a Merry Christmas to the kind donors and last but not least to the gentlemen who brought the hamper to me.

L. N. W.

Shanghai, Dec. 24.

BY SAPAJOU

Mr. H. N. Kunzru

President of the Servants of India Society, Allahabad.

Evil is of Man's Making

Sermon Preached in Holy Trinity Cathedral By Dean Trivett on Christmas Day, 1937

TEXT:—*"The Redeemer shall come to Zion." "There was no room for them in the Inn."* Isaiah 59: 20. St. Luke 2: 10.

I have chosen a text from the Old Testament and one from the New with a very definite purpose this morning. There is the promises fulfilled in Christ Jesus, and there is, in that strikingly vivid verse from our second lesson this morning, the world attitude toward the Redeemer; an attitude which suggests the reason for the postponement of the promised deliverance. It explains what we see about us. A strange background for our Christmas message of peace on earth and good will among men.—War raging about us; hundreds of thousands of homeless and destitute folk in our midst; each day passes with its idle workers, its destruction of life and property, making re-establishment more difficult. This is not of God. It is in direct defiance of His will. All this evil is of man's making. God has not failed us, He has made the world rich and fruitful. Year by year man is finding fresh ways of tapping its natural resources, the bountiful provision of God, in mine and forest, field and stream. An abundant provision for all the needs of all men. God's good gifts are being wasted and destroyed by man's greed and selfishness, and all must shoulder some responsibility for this sad state of affairs. For who among us is free in his or her own life and relationships from that which makes for war, for strife and bitterness, hatred and unbrotherliness?

At best, only stable room has been found for the spirit of Christ, of peace and goodwill. And so we have misery starvation and need, in strange contrast to the bountiful gifts of God. God's county nullified by man's mismanagement. Surely the world is mad- Desperately sick with that madness which can only lead to destruction. And yet above the world's strife the Angels sing on with their sweet message of God's good will. To this world—if only it will receive Him—is born a Saviour who is Christ the Lord. Good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. The Christmas message, if it means anything, surely means just this; that we can set the world right if we can but place Christ in the midst and upon the throne which is his right.

Turn back for a moment to our first text. Isaiah is writing in one of the darkest days of Israels's history. Politically, socially, and morally, Israel seemed degenerate, and their just reward seemed about to fall upon them from the hands of encircling enemies. And while pointing out that the worst which threatens is no more than their just deserts, the prophet still preaches a way of escape. In spite of their sins, God has not abandoned his people. And "the Lord's hand is not shortened that it cannot save, neither his ear heavy that it cannot hear, but your iniquities have separated between you and your God." God still waits to be gracious. He will deliver "The Redeemer shall come to Zion."

A New Factor

If the prophet of old could be an optimist for his world, how much more can we for ours? For since Isaiah's day a new factor has entered into the world of men, a factor which must be taken into all human calculations. We can look back as we do this morning to something that happened just over 1900 years ago. An event so important that the whole world rightly takes it as a new beginning in human affairs, and dates all the years since in relation to it. This morning's Gospel tells us that he who, "was in the beginning with God," who shared the work of creation, indeed, "all things were made by him and without him was not anything made that was made," he "was made flesh and dwelt among us."

God incarnate. God in human flesh.—Think for a moment what that means. As we read the literature of the old world before Christ, we cannot fail but be struck by the fact that God's many or one are are conceived as dwelling apart from men. They are away in Olympus, some distant faraway place where they live aloof, and unconcerned. Even to the Hebrew God is far away, distant and often unapproachable. God was in Heaven, and man in the world. And man found life in the world hard and burdens heavy. They were filled with doubts and uncertainties and blind gropings; conscious of longings and aspirations, but hopes were unfulfilled and aspirations unsatisfied. And then in the fulness of time Christ came. Christ who was God Incarnate, God the Eternal, Invisible, Intangible.—God became Man. It is a stupendous fact, baffling theological expression. And yet in language that a child may understand, the writers of the Gospels have told the story. The birth at Bethlehem is no more remarkable than the life that follows it. He lives the life of a true child growing to manhood at Nazareth. Like us he knows hunger and thirst. He could feel pain and sorrow just as we do. He was perfect man. But although he was man, he was at the same time God. In the same Gospel that records his most human traits we have side by side the marks of his divinity as clearly set forth. His marvellous works, his astounding claims, Claims which were attested by the happenings that are recorded in the Acts and the Epistles, so that none could gainsay the fact that God was in his world; His Spirit working in the lives of those who have given Him faith and obedience.

The Guiding Light

Take a longer view. Think of what His coming has meant to the world. One might develop a very strong argument to prove that all that is best in civilization we owe directly to Christianity. As a great writer of the last century has put it, "Wherever the world has pursued an upward part, wherever it has made any permanent progress, wherever nations have advanced, and moved slowly toward better things, wherever masses of men have broken through the swamps and jungles of cruel superstitions and barbaric wrongs, and come forth into more of justice and liberty, wherever they have shaken off the chains of lust and hatred and come out of the dungeons of ignorance and brutality into the freer world knowledge and human rights.—It has been where they have followed Him, though but dimly, and from after, and where—though with very imperfect faith—they have much his person, and his law, the guiding light upon their path."

Is there a truer word in the Gospels than that word of Jesus when He said: "I am the way, the truth, and the life."? No wonder the Angels rejoiced at the Holy Birth, that the choirs of Heaven broke through those barriers which separate Heaven and earth. They rejoiced because they knew what was involved in the coming of the Christ Child. "Good tidings of great joy" which shall be all people. For "unto you is born a Saviour Christ the Lord."

Good Tidings

Good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. Was the Angel's estimate an exaggeration? If not, why do we find the world so full of strife and bitterness today? Why wars and rumours of war, with all their attendant fears and miseries? Why all the unhappiness, the misunderstandings and jealousies, the cruelty and unbrotherliness?

The reason is not hard to find. For the same reason that there was no joy outside the little circle of those who recognized Him at His coming. John sums it up in his opening chapter when he says, "The light shined in the darkness and the darkness comprehended it not .... He came to his own and his own received him not."

Christianity has not failed. It has not been even tried by the vast majority. The ills of the present day are not due to Christianity, but to lack of it. Isaiah's words are as true today as they were when he penned them thousands of years ago. "Behold the Lord's hand is not shortened that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy that it cannot hear. But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you that he will not hear."

Born A Saviour

There is a book in the New Testament called the Books of the Acts of the Apostles, recording how men were moved by the Holy Ghost. But the Book of the Acts is only the first chapter of a book that might be written in regard to what has happened, and is happening, where Christ is given room in the hearts and lives of men and women. The Angels still sing their sweet song, good tidings of great joy to all who will hear and heed their message. "Unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour who is Christ the Lord."

But we must listen, we must cooperate, we must do our part. We must give him more than stableroom. Give him an honoured place in our hearts. Give it by a sincere desire to be free from sin and its power. Give it by an honest effort to follow in his footsteps. In simple faith ask forgiveness and the guidance of His Spirit. He will do the rest.

So Christ is born in human hearts. God with us—God in us. This is the real joy of Christmas; a joy that may be ours this year, regardless of outward circumstances or surroundings.

First Church of Christ Scientist

Christian Science:—Is the subject of the Lesson Sermon read in all Churches of Christ Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, December 25 Golden Text:— Isaiah 9:2. "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined." Among the citations which comprise the Lesson Sermon is the following from the Bible:— "And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine: For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes." "And behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. (Matthew 7:28,-29; 8:2,3.)

The Lesson Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:— "Jesus established what he said by demonstration, thus making his acts of higher importance than his words. He proved what he taught. This is the Science of Christianity. Jesus proved the Principle, which heals the sick and casts out error, to be divine. Few, however, except his students understood in the least his teachings and their glorious proofs,—namely, that Life, Truth, and Love (the Principle of this unacknowledged Science) destroy all error, evil, disease and death."

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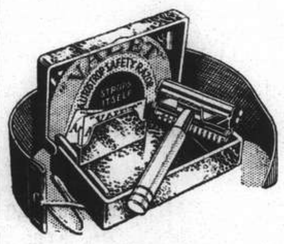

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Konoye Statement Rejected
Chungking Spokesman Says Japanese Gesture Makes No Fresh Progress

Chungking, Dec. 26.

The statement made by the Japanese Premier, Prince Konoye, in which he stated that Japan would be prepared to make peace with China in return for her participation in the Anti-Comintern Pact, the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Manchoukuo, and effective Sino-Japanese economic co-operation, was rejected in its entirety by a spokesman of the Chinese Foreign Office in a statement issued here.

The Chinese spokesman stated that Prince Konoye's declaration amounted to nothing new and as far as its actual proposals were concerned differed very little from the statements made by the Japanese Premier on former occasions. It was merely another way of expressing a policy which aimed at the destruction of Chinese independence and the closing of the open door into China.

The spokesman maintained that despite Prince Konoye's assurances to respect China's sozerainty Japan was insisting on a contiuing of military action in China. Japan was resolved to go on setting up puppet governments in China and seeking to compel China to join the Anti-Comintern Pact. Whereas Prince Konoye had maintained that Japan would be prepared to abandon all claims to Chinese territory, Japanese troops were still stationed in China. Japan's real intentions were plainly discernible at the back of the desire to get China to recognize the Japanese demand for trade rights in China.

Economic Invasion

The Chinese spokesman then went on to compare the Japanese demands with the action taken by Japan in Manchoukuo and argued that it would in the last resort amount to a general economic invasion of China by Japan. Japan had assured China hat she did not intend to monopolize her economic rights in China or to decrease the commercial rights of third Powers but these assurances, the spokesman stated, could not be regarded in any way as sincere and were merely designed to veil the actual facts in the face of an international situation which was developing more and more to the disadvantage of Japan.

A glance at the present situation in Manchoukuo where Japan was extending her economic control to the destruction of the interests of third Powers would in itself serve to place the Japanese assurances in their true light, the spokesman concluded.—Trans-Ocean.

Manchoukuo Border Commission

Changchun Dec. 26.

To discuss border problems, especially those regarding reinforcement of border defences, a conference was held at the Japan-Manchuria Hall here yesterday afternoon under the joint auspices of the Japanese Kwantung Army, the Manchoukuo Government and several "national policy" companies.—Domei.

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Chinese Celebrate National Rebirth
Chungking Observes Gen. Chiang's Sian Delivery

Chungking, Dec. 26.

Yesterday was celebrated in Chungking as a national holiday on the occasion of "National Rebirth Day," marking the anniversary of General Chiang Kai-shek's safe return from Sian, following his kidnapping in 1936.

Despite the bitter cold and steady rain, hundreds of young girls went through the gaily decorated streets, selling flowers, newspapers and magazines, the proceeds of which were to be given to the Chinese Government's war chest.

At present there are two campaigns, which are spreading throughout the country. The first is an appeal that shops set aside one day on which the proceeds of all sales will be turned over to the Government.

The second campaign is the "Give a Dollar" drive. In this connection, it is pointed out that the Chinese national debt totals $500,000,000, and each citizen is urged to contribute $1 towards this sum.—Reuter.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei due In Hongkong

Hongkong, Dec. 25.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, deputy leader of the Kuomintang party, is expected to arrive here in the ss. Esang at six o'clock tomorrow morning, according to reports from authoritative sources. Elaborate precautions were being taken today to insure that Mr. Wang would arrive "incognito."—United Press.

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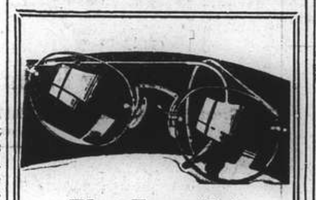

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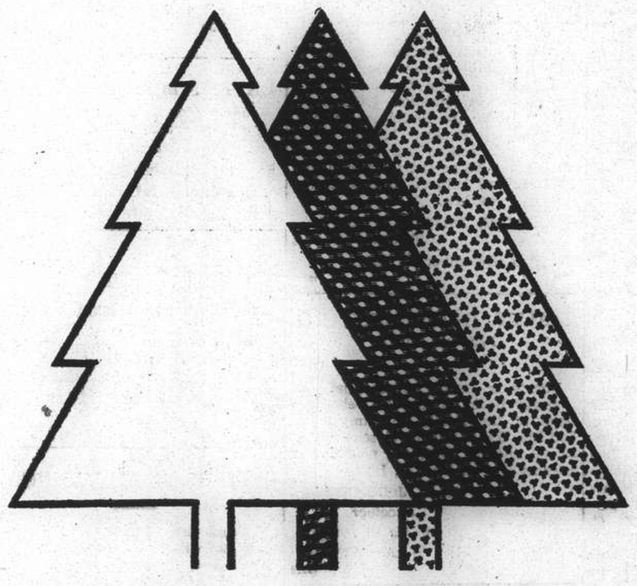

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WOMAN'S PAGE

A London Letter

By Olive Dun

London, Nov. 30.

The news that Mr. Chamberlain when in Paris visited the Duke and Duchess of Windsor and told them that there was no legal or other reason why they should not come to England (one assumes for the sake of argument, though perhaps rashly, that the Prime Minister did say this) has set everyone talking. The difficulty is the question of the title "Her Royal Highness" for the Duchess. It is said that the Duke and those about him always speak of her in this form. But it is perfectly clear that she would not be allowed to use it in England. The King's declaration, after the abdication, stated unequivocally that, while the Duke remained a Royal Highness, neither his wife nor children, if any, would enjoy that title. So if the Duke and Duchess of Windsor returned to England she would merely take rank as what Queen Victoria once described as "a common duchess."

On the whole one does not think they will come and most people will feel they had better not. There is still much affection in England for the Duke. It is rumoured that there is even a party of new legitimists, who dream of somehow getting him back to the throne, though how it beats ordinary wit to imagine. Yet undoubtedly the general feeling was for once accurately if brutally summed up by Mr. Herbert Morrison, when he said that "Kings who abdicate have only two alternatives—to make a nuisance of themselves, or to disappear."

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A Daring Duchess

Another duchess who is very much in the news is her Grace of Atholl, conservative M.P. for Kinross and West Perth for the past 15 years. She has quarrelled with the Government over its foreign policy, notably as regards Spain, where she ardently supports the Nationalists of Barcelona—and some few months ago announced that she did not wish henceforward to receive the Party whip (the technical way of declaring that she was thenceforward independent). The Kinross Unionist Association met and decided to find another candidate. To this the Duchess has replied with spirit by resigning her seat and announcing that she will fight in the by-election as an independent candidate. There has never been a Labour candidate in this constituency, but a Mrs. Coll MacDonald put up at the last election as a Liberal, whom the Duchess beat by 5,000 votes. The local Liberals were for a day or two undecided whether to oppose the Duchess or not, but have eventually decided to run Mrs. MacDonald again. The official Unionists will put up a Perthshire farmer. So it will be a three-cornered fight of extraordinary interest, with the issue probably lying between the two women.

The Duchess of Atholl is of medium height, thin and wiry, with a pronouncedly aquiline nose and a turn for incisive speech. She has already issued a trenchant manifesto, denouncing "the dismemberment of the virile democracy of Czechoslovakia" which has placed Great Britain in a "gravely weakened strategic position." and the further danger if through their catspaw Franco, Germany and Italy get control of Spain. On the whole the Duchess's chances seem good. Her opinions are those of many people, the constituency has known her for 15 years; she is a conspicuous figure in the House; and with so much flabbiness among our public men there will be tremendous admiration for a woman who does not hesitate to express her feelings plainly and fight for them pugnaciously.

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The Helpful Telephone

The telephone is bursting out in new enterprise. The "girl with the golden voice" who gives us the correct time when we dial TIM is by now a commonplace: by the way, it was rather hard on Miss Cain, the original Chrysostom, that the Post Office would not allow her claim to a royalty on this use of her voice. To this convenience now is to be added the "morning call," the function performed in humbler working-class circles by the "knocker-up," who goes round routing out those who have to be early at the mill. There is also to be the "engagement-reminder." The absent-minded husband, desperately afraid of forgetting his wife's birthday, the crowded businessman with a vital appointment that he must not forget, can put these matters in the care of the telephone and it will never forget to send him a reminder at the right moment.

These are conveniences indeed. The only snag I can see is that one may forget to ask the telephone to remind one of what one mustn't forget. Then there are storms, such as that last night which blew down 40 telephone wires in our village, our own included. But these are things which can't be helped.

What the Post Office should concentrate on is a telephone which will refuse to make a call when the callee is at dinner or lunch. It is extraordinary how bad-mannered the telephone has made us all. People who would apologize profoundly if they had to come to the front door and interrupt a neighbour at a meal, will call him away from table to the telephone without a word of excuse. Perhaps as subscribers to the telephone are going up by hundreds of thousands yearly, the Post Office will see to this.

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The Magic of Toys

It is a mere truism that no one at any age can resist toys; is not the toy aspect of motor-cars, guns, aeroplanes, and the latest thing in cameras an important part of their attraction? Father and uncle playing with Willy's train, while Willy is stood in the corner for naughtily interfering, is a perfectly true type. And now the Christmas toy show is quite as delightful to grown-ups as to children, the more so that at least four-fifths of the toys are British-made, the German toymakers who once dominated our shops having been almost entirely beaten out by our own people.

Of course the mechanism of the age is strongly represented. Clockwork and electric trains are an unfailing attraction; these lead on the young mind to the model train clubs now numerous all over England, whose members take part in difficult problems of shunting in model goods yards and combining model express and suburban service. But searchlights and anti-aircraft guns are plentiful, with tanks and army lorries; alas for the pacifist teachings of yesteryear; we must be military-minded now.

Theatrical and cinema popularities supply several models. There are innumerable Shirley Temple dolls (but the increased liking for dolls of all sorts seems significant, as if Nature were fighting back desperately against declining birth-rates); Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs are conspicuous everywhere, as are Stanley Lupino and his Sally and a company of Lambeth Walkers. These come nearer to a child's real conception of a toy than any mechanical conception forever doing the same thing, in that they stir the child's imagination to weave its own stories about the beloved objects. And in this way nothing can equal the furry kittens, rabbits, ducks, dogs, bears, and, of course, dolls.

Considering the enormous masses of stuff written nowadays for and about children, it is curious how little of it really gets inside that strange thing, the child's mind. A girl friend said to me recently: "I remember when I was little, that I liked 'Christopher Robin' and things like that, quite well. But my feeling about Stevenson's 'A Child's Garden of Verse' was quite different. He was a child, thinking and writing as a child would." So of toys, grown-ups may play with them, but in designing them must remember what children want to play with.

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Against Evil-Doers

It is interesting to see that the London County Council is discussing how it may tighten up safeguards against the white slave traffic. Since, several years ago, the "cat" was introduced for white slavers, these gentry have found it less profitable to operate in England. A good deal of nonsense, too, is talked about their methods, as, for instance, that they slip up alongside girls in the street, jab a morphia needle into them and kidnap them while insensible—which is rubbish. On the other hand there are so-called theatrical agencies which send girls abroad ostensibly to theatrical jobs, actually to a disastrous fate.

It is these agencies over which the L.C.C. wants to get more control and it complains that the Government gives no help and should hold an inquiry into the whole scandal, since at present an agency, if refused a licence by the L. C. C., merely has to move into another county and carry on. For the moment the L.C.C. is raising from 16 to 18 the age below which a girl may not take employment abroad without the consent of her parents or guardians.

Side by side with this may be mentioned "the Yard's" decision to add another 50 women police to the 100 it already possesses. In fact the women have more than justified themselves. Three of them are reckoned among the smartest detectives in London. One of them recently succeeded in bringing off the arrest of a long-wanted confidence trick man. Another went along into a night-club of very bad repute and, single-handed, brought out a girl who was "running wild." It is said that the Yard wants its police girls to be good looking. Is this masculine frailty on the Commissioner's part or recognition of the fact that handsome does as handsome is, and that beauty and brains are much oftener allied than the moralists would have us believe?

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Apropos of police matters an extraordinary case of a female Jekyll and Hyde came before the Marylebone police court this week. Mrs. May White is known in her village in Essex as the ideal wife and mother, clean, hardworking, capable, devoted to her three children, a model for all. In the West End she is known as an incorrigible pickpocket, with already five convictions against her. She has already been in prison and now goes there again, as no doubt she deserves to do. But may not these escapades in the West End be less a matter of vice than of sheer adventurousness, a longing for relief from the tedium of respectability in Essex?

Learning To "Do Their Bit"

Members of the Women's Legion, looking very businesslike in their boiler suits, getting acquainted with one of the lorries at the Drill Hall, Mandel Street, W.C., where they assemble at night for practical instruction in the handling of the big machines.

For Queen Elizabeth at the White House

This bedroom, with its authentic "mid-Victorian" enchantment, will be occupied by Queen Elizabeth when she and King George stay with President and Mrs. Roosevelt at the White House next year. It has the immense historic interest of having been occupied by Abraham Lincoln when the White House was his home. The bed was specially made for him by a Springfield, Ill., firm and is nine feet long and six feet wide.

Chestnuts for the Festive Table

Chestnuts are in; in every Chinese provision store there is a man at work shovelling them around in their roasting medium of tiny black cinders in a cauldron over a charcoal fire. They are traditionally festive fare and here are some recipes for using them:

Chestnut Soup

Prepare some chestnuts and put in a saucepan with freshly shredded celery. Cover with light stock and simmer until the nuts are tender. Then sieve and thin the purée with previously boiled milk. Reheat. Season with pepper and salt, mace and cayenne. Stir in a small piece of butter just before serving. Three-quarters of a pound of chestnuts are required for each quart of soup.

Stewed Chestnuts

Peel some fine, sound chestnuts, flour and brown them in butter. Then put them in a stewpan, just covering them with veal stock to which add a few thin strips of fresh lemon rind. A slice of lean ham and two bay leaves laid under the chestnuts (but not served with them) improve the flavour. Stew them very gently for nearly an hour, adding a flavouring of salt and cayenne. They must be tender but unbroken.

Italian Chestnut Dessert

Take boiled and peeled chestnuts—two at a time. Press them together so that a couple make one. Boil them gently in syrup for a few minutes. Then place them in a tin. Sprinkle with sugar and brown them in the oven. Squeeze over a little lemon. Serve cold with whipped cream.

Chestnuts and Cream

Simmer gently a pound of boiled and peeled chestnuts in a little milk. Add a vanilla pod and sufficient sugar. Then sieve coarsely. Place in a glass dish alternate layers of this mixture and stiffly whipped cream. Hand with it compôte of orange flavoured with Maraschino.

Marrons Flambes

Marrons flambés are merely roasted and peeled chestnuts laid in a warm sugar-sprinkled dish over which a generous amount of rum or brandy has been poured. A match is set to it when it reaches the table. And very delicious they are.

Portuguese Chestnut Preserve

Lay a pound of peeled and boiled chestnuts in a syrup of a pound of sugar and just enough water with a squeeze of lemon. Stew in a closed pan until tender. Cool. Put into glass jars, flavour with Maraschino and close carefully with a screw top.

Roast Chestnuts

In Southern Europe these are often finished in a coffee-roaster after about ten minutes' boiling. They require from ten to 15 minutes' roasting. Never omit to cut the rind of each nut slightly before it is cooked. Serve them very hot in a napkin and hand salt with them.

Boiled Chestnuts

Make a slight incision in the outer skin and throw them into plenty of boiling water with about a dessert-spoon of salt to the half-gallon. Some chestnuts will require to be boiled for an hour and others little more than half the time. As soon as they are soft all through they should be wiped and served immediately in a napkin. As a vegetable they are excellent, particularly when served with game.

Devilled Chestnuts

Soak sufficient peeled chestnuts in Worcester sauce for two hours, then put them in a stewpan with butter and stir about until they are tender. Serve very on thin buttered toast.

Magic of the Eyes

Your Eyes May Not Be Large, But With Care They May Be Beautiful

Occasionally you should give yourself a good eye massage. This will reduce, if not entirely remove, the fine wrinkles that appear around the eyes. It is also very soothing and restful for tired or strained eyes. Naturally great care must be taken, and the skin must not be dragged, nor too much pressure applied.

First wash the eyes with an antiseptic solution of a small percentage of boracic acid dissolved in water. Apply this with a small pad of cottonwool and wipe the skin lightly around the eyes. Then with another pad of cottonwool remove any moisture and spread a little nourishing cream over the skin. Then, with the third finger of each hand (this finger exerts less pressure than any other one) stroke the eyelids with a gentle, rhythmic movement, always starting the movement at the nose and working outwards towards the corners of the eyes. This movement is very soothing, and will work the cream well into the skin.

Now you are ready for your next movement, which is a circular one, and which also calls for the use of your third finger. Place the tip of the finger at the corner of the eye near the nose and carry it around right under the eye, and then back over the lid. Repeat this movement several times, making sure that it is not jerky or hasty, and, as the finger reaches the inner side near the nose, a slight pressure can be exerted.

If the skin under the eye is crêpey, it can often be improved by carrying out small circular movements. Be careful to exert only light pressure, otherwise the skin will wrinkle. This massage is of the type which will help the tiny muscles to support the skin. Naturally, all massage is of little avail unless the skin is well nourished, therefore you must not forget to apply nourishing cream prior to any massage movement.

Modelling Your Eyebrows

After your massage the next point is to shape your eyebrows. To gain the prettiest and most suitable effect, carefully study your face.

For instance, the popular shape which is circular and well rounded is really only suitable for a longish face. When the eyebrows are set too near the eyes, not only should you pluck a few hairs from beneath the brows, but you should also train them so that they will grow upwards and away from the eye. Each night dip the fingers in a little oil, with the fingertip massage the brows upwards towards the temples. When the brows are too far away from the eyes, so that quite a large expanse of skin is showing, you should then train the eyebrows downwards.

Another point to remember, when shaping the brows, is that the bone formation must be followed as near as is possible. When the bone is low, make the eyebrow follow it, otherwise you will show a bulge and an expanse of shiny skin. If the bone is rather high, you can then shape the brows so that they will run just below it. When the forehead is flat and square, it is best not to attempt to curve the brows very much.

Judicious Shading

Eyes which are deep-set can be made to appear very beautiful by applying a very little rouge just below the eyebrow, whilst eyes which are set flat with the rest of the face can be made lovely by applying just a light trace of brown or blue shadow to the lids, according to the colours of the eyes.

Plucking the brows is not half as painful as it may sound. First wring out a towel in warm water, hold it up against the brow, and then when the pores are open you will find that it is neither very difficult nor very painful to remove the offending hairs. When the plucking is finished soak a tiny pad of cottonwool in calamine lotion and pat it over the skin. This will leave a light, powdery surface and take out any inflammation.

When the eyeashes or brows are scanty, you can make them much more luxuriant by applying a little coconut on with a camelhair brush every night before going to bed, and in no time your eyelashes will grow stronger and darker.

Lampshades Again

Fashions in lampshades seem to change as often as fashions in hats. Gone already are the rather lumpy, bumpy shades of moulded coarse canvas. The latest are smooth and tailored, yet feminine, like the latest day dresses. With smooth, shiny surfaces, plain or having a muslin pattern indicated under the glaze, they are finished round the edge with a single ruching of transparent material, such as the Victorian misses used as tuckers to sew round the high necks of their bodices. Such ruchings look best when arranged in stiff little box pleats, single or double, and they can be of plain starched ninon, usually in white or parchment shades, or they can have a narrow edging of a deeper colour to match colours in the room where they are used. Thus a white ruching can be edged with pink, blue, green, or wine, while one in a deeper shade can have a brown or black line, or a line of dark blue running round its fluted edges. The result is crisp, neat, and pleasing.

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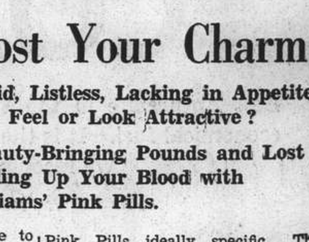

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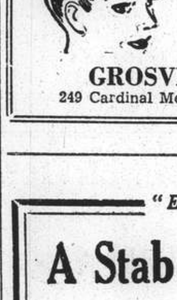

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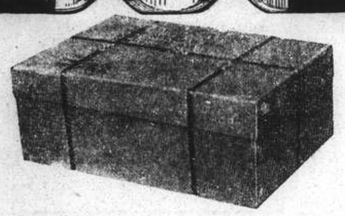

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DEATHS

CARR.—At the Country Hospital on December 26, 1938, ELSIE BLANEY CARR, widow of John P. Carr of Karatsu, Japan, in her sixty-first year. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral arrangements will be announced later. 13248

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A GLANCE ROUND

A telephone call to this office yesterday morning was sufficient to demonstrate the peculiarity of the Christmas through which the world is passing. It took the form of an enquiry as to whether anything of significance had happened in the world during the holidays, and the answer, happily enough, was that nothing of outstanding or alarming importance had occurred. Past diplomatic history has shown a tendency for crises to occur over the week-end, particularly when Great Britain is involved, heads of totalitarian states being apparently convinced that the British week-end habit is likely to give them an opportunity of catching the various Ministers unawares. That gave rise to the fear that during the Christmas holidays somebody or other would start something, and there is certainly enough explosive material lying around to provide fuel for the most widespread conflagration. Fortunately, at least for the time being, everyone seems to have held his hand, and while it may be truthfully said that the position has not improved, it is also clear that during the holiday little has happened to worsen a situation which in all conscience is bad enough. Prince Konnoye's latest message to the Chinese people, approved, it will be noted, by the Japanese Expeditionary Force in China, has for the moment fallen upon deaf ears. Whatever hopes there might have been that the Christmas spirit would have induced thoughts of peace in the Chinese mind do not appear to have fructified. China will continue to fight on, and this year there will be few indeed who will endeavour to persuade her to any other course. There is no sign that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has lost any of the esteem in which he was held by his people at the commencement of the China Incident, no signs of any serious cleavage amongst his Ministers, but, on the contrary, every indication that the Chinese will to fight on is as strong now as it was a year ago. In Spain the insurgents, disdaining any suggestion for an armistice over Christmas have commenced another of their big offensives aimed at the subjugation of Catalonia. It is being fiercely resisted by the Government troops, and though the rebels appear to have made some headway the end of the struggle is not yet, and may not come for some months.

Relations between the United States and Germany are not improving. The latest utterances of Mr. Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of the Interior, have aroused anew German indignation, and the attitude of each government to the other is becoming increasingly stiff. Franco-Italian relations are not bettered by what amounts to the denunciation of the agreement reached in 1935 between the two countries, which it was hoped at the time would settle once and for all outstanding questions between the two nations, and a reversal to the *status quo ante* the formulation of that document has been the result. There is no improvement apparent in Anglo-German relations. The recent attacks in the press and by radio upon the alleged behaviour of the British troops in Palestine, allegations which have no foundation in truth, have done nothing towards that appeasement of which Mr. Chamberlain is so earnestly in search. The German press seems to have been indulging in an all-round attack on the British, such as they very bitterly resent when applied with more factuality to themselves. Moscow and Tokyo are engaged in a pleasant little dispute over the question of the fishery rights off the coast of Siberia, an issue which may give rise to serious complications, unless a *modus vivendi* is quickly reached. Indeed there is so much variance existing at present that the old tag may be aptly quoted, with a definite exception with regard to the last line:—

The world is a bundle of hay,
The nations the asses which pull;
Each pulls in a different way,
And the greatest of all is John Bull.

The world has probably never seen so much open conflict of interests as at the present time, and though some of the asses would like to find some method of stopping all this divergent pulling, there are others who obviously think to find in it means of obtaining things which they might otherwise never obtain. Whether they are right in their view remains to be seen, but the indications are that if this continual tugging is not stopped the results may indeed be tragic.

Yet this balance sheet is not without substantial items on the credit side. The Czechoslovak crisis has shown that, no matter what various rulers may think, there is not yet abroad in any country amongst its masses any very real desire for war. In addition to that the Anglo-French entente is stronger today than at any time in its history. There is a better realization by both of them of the identity of their interests, and a common determination to defend them if the necessity arises. The speedy movement in Britain towards a perfection of the nation's defences, the intention of France to improve her services to a higher standard than ever before, the growing authority with which their statesmen are now able to deal with the problems posed, all point to the possibility of a greater stability in Europe than seemed likely a short while ago. That that stability is in fact founded upon power, and not too much goodwill is the only bad feature about the situation, though it is clear that Great Britain and France are better able to face the contingencies of the future than they were only a brief twelve months ago. The growing interest of the United States in world affairs, the manner in which they are being induced to take a greater interest in European matters by circumstances not within the control of either Great Britain or France, the partial success of the Lima Conference—not so great as it was originally hoped, it must be admitted—are all factors tending towards the future safety of the democracies against the threats with which they are faced. From a spiritual point of view many a good deed shines in all this political gloom. The gifts which have been made to suffering Spain on both sides of the battle front, the care which is being provided for the Jewish refugees from Central Europe, the general display of humanity which has marked this season in many countries all go to show that while in many ways the world is very evil, the good is still there, waiting that happy time when it will again be able to emerge and dominate in spheres where wickedness at present seems to prevail.

Increased Subscription Rates

An advertisement on the front page announces an increase in the annual subscription to the "North-China Daily News" becoming effective from January 1, 1939. About ten years ago, when exchange was in the neighbourhood of 2/- to the dollar, the annual subscription was reduced from $28 to $24 per annum, and has remained at the figure ever since. In 1939 the subscription will revert to $28 per annum. This change has been made necessary by the immensely increased cost of producing a newspaper during the past year. By far the greater part of expenditure is in gold: paper, ink, machinery and cable news services are all on a gold basis. Income on the other hand is almost entirely in local currency. The increase is, therefore, a moderate one and by no means compensates for the loss on exchange. The charge of ten cents per copy for newspapers purchased in the streets and at stores remains the same on weekdays, but on Sundays the charge will be twenty cents. Subscriptions run for three months or any longer period and ensure early delivery of the paper to the subscriber's home direct from the publishing office. Buying the paper in the streets or at bookstores costs in the aggregate $41.40 per annum as against $28 per annum if subscribed for direct to the "North-China Daily News" office. Delivery is made early every morning from Hungjao in the west to the Point in the east, and in spite of the hostilities there are comparatively few places in the interior of China where the paper does not find its way with fair regularity.

What Santa Claus Did

Yesterday and the day before there could be seen about Shanghai a number of self-conscious men, who looked as if they were trying to bluff out something—which indeed they were. They were trying to bluff out their Christmas presents, socks, ties, and scarves. The Christmas tie has been a joke for so many years that it has become quite a serious problem. And therefore there is no intention to dwell upon it here, except to remark that, in most cases, the taste displayed in the choice of these gifts is so good that it is something of a reflection on the mere male wearer who, if given the opportunity, would probably have wasted his substance on "plain red and yaller." Economists may be able to find the reason why Shanghai, at this season, when everyone is suffering from the effects of the depression and the Sino-Japanese hostilities, has been able to spend a record amount of money in celebrating the Christmas festival. To the average human being, whose brain reels when he tries to total up the chits signed any particular evening, the phenomenon is inexplicable. The big department stores report that they have sold more gifts during the pre-Christmas rush than at any time since the Manchurian Incident. The hire car garages, as any reveller who was out on Christmas Eve knows to his misfortune, have been carrying more passengers than ever before. The cabarets—and surely there are more in Shanghai now than there have been for the last decade—claim to have had the best of times. In fact, in some of them, the tariffs seem to have been designed especially to keep the customer away—but without success. It may be that the lesson of Christmas Eve will have been learnt by the New Year, and that the efforts of the cabaret proprietors to dip too deeply into the pockets of revellers will have their logical effect, and people will stay away. If so, the caterers for pleasure will have only themselves to blame.

New King's Regulations

Comment by the YANGTZE HERMIT in the Shanghai "Mainichi," on the subject of the recently promulgated King's Regulations requiring the licencing of all newspapers, pamphlets and other publications by Britons in languages other than English, seems complacently to assume that this has been done with the idea of making a diplomatic gesture to Japan. In his desire that the Regulations should be made retroactive he indicates a complete failure to understand the effect of these new provisions. All concerns engaged in the publication of matter defined above are required to obtain such licences, and in that respect the regulations cover such firms as are already in existence as well as any others which may be formed in the future. It is now an offence to publish such works in other than the English language without first having obtained the necessary licence, and it is again emphasized that it is necessary for firms and individuals engaged in such activities to obtain the necessary permission which is described in the King's Regulation. Those who have not yet made the application are already in peril, though it is believed that the authorities will give a reasonable time for compliance with this new law. That YANGTZE HERMIT's assumption that this is a diplomatic gesture towards Japan is not correct is amply demonstrated by the provision of the original Order in Council, Article 75, which has subsequently been amended, but which in its original form, dating as far back as 1904, read:—

> Every person subject to the criminal jurisdiction of the Court who prints, publishes or offers for sale any printed or written newspaper or other publication containing matter calculated to excite tumult or disorder, or to excite enmity between His Majesty's subjects and the Government of China or Corea, as the case may be, or between that Government and its subjects shall be guilty of a grave offence against this Order, etc.

An amendment promulgated in 1907 dealing with the publication of seditious manner, described it as

> Matter calculated to excite tumult or disorder, or to excite enmity between His Majesty's subjects and the Government of China or the Government of Corea, *or the authorities or subjects of any Power in amity with His Majesty*..... shall be deemed to be seditious matter....

It is clear, therefore, that the promulgation of the new King's Regulations is merely designed to give teeth to a measure which has been in force in one form or another for over thirty years past.

IN PARENTHESIS

Make-Up

"A PRETTY girl is as good as a tonic," says a writer. And a chemist makes them both up.

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Best Years

THEY had embarked on a long and bitter quarrel.

"How can you talk to me like that," she sobbed, "after I've given you the best years of my life?"

"Oh," replied her husband coldly, "and who, may I ask, made them the best years of your life?"

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Eventually

AULD Maggie Dee had her full share of Scotch prudence and economy. She had worn her old bonnet so long that some neighbours offered to get a new one for her. They asked if she would prefer straw or silk as material.

"Weel," replied Maggie, "since ye insist on gien' me a bonnet, I think I'll take a straw one; it will, maybe, just be a mouthful for the coo when I'm through with it."

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Followed His Fare

A TAXIMAN at Le Havre had an argument with a sailor about his fare. He came on board the man's ship to complain, leaving his taxi on the quay. He was still arguing when the vessel sailed for England.

So he sailed, too—and, of course the immigration authorities had to send him back.

Well, he got a cross-Channel trip—twice. I suppose it's a case of fare exchange.

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Marriage Loans

MARRIAGE loans for young people with less than £400 a year are suggested by Dr. Frederick McCann, the gynæcologist.

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Good idea. The young couple would always have something to pawn.

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Bright Ones

"I LIVE—and he earns," says a modern wife. That should learn him.

Many women stop in front of shop windows merely to reflect.

The man with money to burn doesn't need to be so hot himself.

Daughter's last word: Don't be so early Victorian, mother! This is 1938, not 1937.

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Better Odds

THE landlord of a public-house had a parrot which could talk about anything from horse racing to darts.

One day a stranger entered, and said his parrot could talk better.

After an argument, a match was arranged for £10, the parrot which spoke more in ten minutes to be the winner.

When the stranger's bird arrived both parrots were put on a table. The local parrot did not speak at all, and the landlord paid over his £10 to the stranger.

When he was putting his parrot back again the landlord said to the bird. "You're a smart one, you are."

The parrot whispered in his ear, "Listen, you. Make a return match for £50 and I'll talk the blighter's head off."

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American Howlers

GOSSAMERS—people who gossip about each other.

Diabolic was a man who went around with a lantern searching for an honest person.

Things which are equal to each other are equal to anything else.

An alkali is a substance obtained by boiling Arabs in a pot.

A hottentot is a sausage sandwich with mustard on it.

Trigonometry is when a lady marries three men at the same time.

Instinct is when a man marries a woman, and habit is when he hangs his hat on the same peg every night when he comes home.

What is an heroic couplet?

When a hero and heroine are walking in the garden looking at the moon, they form a heroic couplet.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

December 25, 1938	Min. 30.0	Max. 38.5
Same date, 1937	Min. 33.0	Max. 47.0
Rainfall nil.		
Yesterday	Min. 31.8	Max. 43.0
Same date, 1937	Min. 38.0	Max. 47.5
Rainfall nil.		

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min. 29.1	Max. 44.2
Same date, 1937	Min. 31.5	Max. 50.5

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 25th:—Siberian anticyclone over China, extending over Japan. Regular winter monsoon along the China Coast. Cloudy and cold weather in China.

State on the morning of the 26th:—Cloudy to fine and cold weather. West-north-westerly breezes. High and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine, cloudy and cold weather with fresh to strong winter monsoon around Shantung, over our regions, the Eastern Sea and Formosa. Rainy around the Loochoos.—Siccawei Observatory.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

To THE CHINESE REFUGEE FUND

An Indian (Parsee) Merchant	$31.00

To HILSFOND FUER DEUTSCHE JUDEN

Proceeds afternoon tea held by A.W.C.	$529.78

To THE JEWISH REFUGEE CHILDREN'S FUND

Kotick	$10.00

To THE SHANGHAI RICKSHAW MISSION

An Indian (Parsee) Merchant	$ 5.00

To THE JEWISH REFUGEE FUND

Methodist	$10.00
An Indian (Parsee) Merchant	$15.00
Dr. Karl Elster, in lieu of Xams Cards	$ 5.00

World Forgets Trouble In Christmas Cheer

Jurope in Grip of Winter Frost ; Traditional Festivities Ignore Political Quarrels, Wars ; President Roosevelt Issues Message of Peace

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 26.

DEPITE the bitter cold which continues to grip all Europe, in pite of the many tense political issues still pending and in spite of two wars, Christmas was celebrated as whole-heartedly : even in most parts of the world, according to reports reaching Reuers London Office today. London shivered under a blanket of og, with snow on the streets, but inside the homes the cares of nternational politics and the ever-present worries of A.R.P. wee apparently forgotten. According to a Christmas Eve survey among the leading London shops, more Christmas trees and plum puddings were sold this year than for any other previous Christmas.

In France, Germany and Italy all outward activity appeared tc cease, except in the churches whose bells sounded throughout te week-end. The festivities were celebrated traditionally and with no apparent stinting from economic poverty. In Palestine lone, the land of Christ's birth, was the general spirit broken. Despite the Christmas truce, one Arab police corporal was shot lead in the old city of Jerusalem on Christmas morning.

While the Archibishop of Canterbury was blessing the Christmas Crib in the Chapel of Canterbury Cathedral, representing the Holy Family with the Babe in a manager, a man rushed forward and shouted: "My Lord Archbishop, I pray that you desist from this pre-Reformation and childish practice."

The Primate calmy rebuked the interrupter, saying: "You should make your protest at a more proper time."

The man, who appears to be a member of the Protestant Truth Society, was escorted from the Cathedral and, the Primate proceeded with the ceremony.

A party of unemployed persons, who, in the past few days, had been attempting to attract attention to the conditions of themselves and their fellow unemployed, demonstrated yesterday outside the house of Lord Rushcliffe, Chairman of the Unemployment Assistance Board. There were about 120 men and ten women in the group, and they chanted songs and shouted slogans. Later, they held a meeting nearby.

These were the same persons who recently invaded the Ritz Hotel for tea, making speeches there, and, subsequently, took a petition to Buckingham Palace for presentation to the King.—Reuter.

Jerusalem Without Cheer

Jerusalem, Dec. 25.

Despite a Christmas truce and that curfew in Jerusalem has been relaxed, Palestine today faced its third successive cheerless Christmas in general insecurity.

Relaxation of traffic control in the Bethlehem area and the roads from Jerusalem to Bethlehem and from the adjoining villages, permitted many persons to travel to Bethlehem last night to praticipate in midnight masses in the Cathedral and the churches.

The 20,000 British troops now in the country are all imbued with the Yuletide spirit, but the actual Christmas ceremonies in Jerusalem were only attended by the Worcestershire Regiment, which is encamped in the monastery facing Manager Square. The remainder of the soldiers, who are scattered throughout the country, are celebrating the festival as best they can.

Even the customary pilgrimage, organized by the Young Men's Christian Association, to Telboaz, the site of the shepherds' field, outside Jerusalem, has been abandoned for lack of security. Instead of eating broiled meat over a campfire, with the flat Arab bread as plates, Y.M.C.A. members gave a programme of carols, led by a choir and carillon, on the flood-lit terrace of their building in the centre of Jerusalem.

The Roman Cathoilc ceremonies in the Church of Bethlehem took place with traditional splendour.—Reuter.

President Roosevelt's Message

Washington, Dec. 25.

"I shall do whatever lies within my power to hasten the day foretold by Isiah, when men shall beat their swords into ploughshares, nation shall not lift up its sword against nation and neither shall they learn war anymore," said President Roosevelt in his annual Christmas Day message to the American people. The President remarked that he was, in this way, renewing before all the world the pledge that he had often given to his countrymen.

Peace efforts in the Western Hemispher were commended by the President, who considered it a happy circumstances that the deliberations of the Pan-American Conference would be successfully concluded soon after the birthday of the Prince of Peace. He expressed the hope that the boon of peace enjoyed by the entire western world might be vouchsafed to all nations and peoples.

"We desire peace," declared President Roosevelt, "and shall work for peace. We covet neither in the lands nor in the possessions of any other nation or people."—Reuter.

Czech President Broadcasts

Prague, Dec. 24.

The Czech President Dr. Emile Hacha, delivered a special Christmas message in a radio broadcast this evening.

He said that Czechoslovakia could not forget, during present festivities, the sadness that weighs upon all the people. Nevertheless the country could have hope for the future because, "We are still on the territory on which we have lived for more than 1,000 years."

"After the crisis, we found ourselves again and we can now live and work together with our Slovak and Carpatho-Ukrainian brothers. I am sure that Christmas this year will signify the beginning of a new fraternity among the Czechoslovak peoples," he concluded.—Havas.

Midnight Masses in Barcelona

Barcelona, Dec. 25.

Eight hundred midnight masses were celebrated in this city last night, and over 10,000 people received the sacrament.—Havas.

Death Toll High in U.S.

New York, Dec. 25.

According to the latest figures available from police authorities, the Christmas festivities' death toll reaches the total figure of 260, most of which are due to motoring accidents.—Havas.

Pope Condemns All Church Enemies

College of Cardinals Hear Stinging Rebuke Of Fascists and Nazis

Rome, Dec. 52.

Addressing the College of Cardinals, who brought him Christmas greetings, the Pope made a sad speech containing an attack on the alleged violation of the Concordat with Italy and a strong reference to Nazi Germany.

Referring to Herr Hitler's visit to Rome last spring, the Pope said: "When I think of the recent apothesis of the Cross, hostile to the Cross of Christ, prepared in this very city of Rome, and think of the injury done to the Concordat and other matters mentioned in my speech, I thought at least some respect and right would be paid to my white hairs.

"Instead, they wish to ride roughshod over everything.

"This tenth anniversary of the Concordat, instead of bringing the serene joy we should have liked, arouses grave preoccupation and bitter grief—particularly bitter in view of the real and manifold violations inflicted on Cathclic action, which is the pupil of our eye and which has nothing to do with politics, but is purely concerned in making good Christians."

The Pope declared that secret gestures of permission and encouragement must be issuing from high places since vexations unceasingly occur throughout the Italian peninsula and not only in small and unimportant places.—Reuter.

French Primate Makes Moving Appeal

France Must Continue to Strive for Peace

Paris, Dec. 25.

"The Archbishop of Paris extends his greetings to all of you and once again, he wishes that peace will reign over you," Cardinal Verdier, Archbishop of Paris, declared in his Christmas message to the people of France today.

"Alas! it does not yet prevail over the earth," the Cardinal added. "Very near us and in the Far East, blood is still flowing. However the year which is coming offers hopes. Last September, when a war appeared imminent, Heaven on one hand and active collaboration between France and her great ally on the other, removed the threat."

Cardinal Verdier stressed the closeness of the co-operation between France and Great Britain, and advocated a union of all Frenchmen in facing any danger which may present itself, asking them to accept sacrifices.

"Not far from us, under different regimes, others are accepting sacrifices much harder than ours, and they have not the privilege and beauty of voluntary sacrifices," the Archbishop continued. "Let us remember that the stake of this new crusade is freedom, the freedom which is so dear to us and which remains man's real honour, a condition of his merit, and definitely the best guarantee of his happiness."—Havas.

Memorial to George V Dedicated

Royal Family Attend at Sandringham Ceremony

London, Dec. 26.

A memorial tablet to George V was dedicated yesterday in the parish church of St. Mary Magdalene, at Sandringham, in the presence of the King, the Queen, the Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret, the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, the Duke and Duchess of Kent and other members of the Royal Christmas party.

The tablet, of white marble, is above the pulpit and bears an engraving of the head and shoulders of the late King, with the following inscription: "In loving memory of King George V, 1865-1936, this plaque is placed here by his devoted wife and children."

The ceremony was conducted by the Rector of Sandringham, the Rev. Arthur Rose Fuller.—Reuter.

Manchoukuo Mausoleum Dedicated

Mukden, Dec. 26.

A dedication ceremony at the Manchuria Mausoleum, which was built in a northern suburb of this city at a cost of Y.105,000, was held yesterday afternoon with more than 300 persons representing Japanese, Manchurian and Mongolian authorities in attendance.

The mausoleum has enshrined soldiers killed in the Sino-Japanese and Russo-Japanese Wars of 1894-5 and 1904-5 and the Manchurian incident of 1931, and staff members of the South Manchuria Railway who died while on duty on the continent.—Domei.

Junk Pirates Launch Attack On British Ship

Two Russian Guards Wounded in Battle

Two of the six Russian guards manning the China Import and Export Lumber Company's steamer Tseangtah, are lying at the St. Marie Hcspital, Route Pere Robert, in a serious condition following a pirate attack on the steamer which was attempted at 4.30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon in the vicinity of "Dove Nest" near Liuho about 100 miles up river when the Tsengtah was on her way back to Shanghai.

The steamer, of which Captain G. C. Blown is the skipper, was suddenly attacked by a junk manned by an undetermined number of pirates who opened fire with a machine-gun which was plainly visible from the decks of the Tseangtah.

The Russian guards, the number of which had been increased following two previous attempted piracies within the last three months, rushed to their stations and returned the fire, using a type of rifle which required individual loading of each bullet. The odds were against the guards during the five-minute battle that followed, as they were forced to stand against an open rail, thus becoming an easy target for the Chinese gunmen.

Eventually, however, the junk was forced to withdraw, and the action of the guards was described as "heroic" by the captain of the Tseangtah.

Guards Surprised

The guards were taken by surprise when the pirates opened fire, and were having a game of cards when the first bullets pierced the door to the room in which they were playing and which lies on the port side of the ship. They immediately dashed to strategically important points on deck and fired at the junk.

When the smoke of battle had cleared, it was found that two guards, Boris Konovaloss and Andrey Sharapoff, were lying on deck with serious shot-wounds.

Konovaloss, who was also in charge of the Russian guards, had been seriously injured in the chest whilst his comrade had bullet wounds in the right leg. Both men are expected to survive.

H.M.S. Scarab, which was on patrol duty near the scene, immediately rushed to the rescue of the Tseangtah but arrived after the pirates had departed. The warship remained near by and patrolled that part of the river throughout the night, using powerful searchlights.

The Tseangtah, which is under charter to a local firm, left Shanghai on her usual trip up river yesterday morning as per schedule.

German Mothers Given Iron Crosses

60 Tons of Metal Needed For Special Awards

Berlin, Dec. 26.

Sixty tons of metal will be required to decorate German mothers of large families with the new Cross of the German Mother, which will resemble the Iron Cross, but will have a prolonged lower arm.

Three million mothers will receive this decoration on Mother's Day, which has been set for May 12.

The possessors of the Cross will enjoy all privileges which are given to those wounded in the war.

The Crosses will be in three metals, bronze for the mothers of four or five children, silver for those who have six or seven and gold for the mother of eight or more.—Reuter.

Sun Fo Head of Soviet Chinese Association

Meeting Sends Messages to Stalin, Chiang Kai-shek

Chungking, Dec. 26.

Dr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, who visited Moscow a year ago, when he conferred with M. Stalin, was re-elected President of the Sino-Soviet Cultural Association, at its annual conference here.

Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, and Mr. Shao Li-tze, veteran Kuomintang leader, were elected Vice-Presidents.

Mr. Wu Yu-chang, prominent leader of the Chinese Communist Party, was elected a member of the Board of Directors.

The Conference dispatched a "message of respect" to General Chiang Kai-shek and M. Stalin.—Reuter.

Duke and Duchess of Windsor Entertain

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Cannes, Dec. 25.

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor entertained fourteen guests, all of whom were personal friends, at a Christmas Eve party at the Chateau de la Cros, last night. A large and beautifully decorated Christmas tree in the main salon was illuminated.—Reuter.

British Officer Decorated for Panay Incident

Captain G.E.M. O'Donnell, former Chief-of-Staff of the British Yangtze Flotilla, received the U.S. Medal in recognition of heroic rescue work after the bombing of the U.S.S. Panay in the Yangtze last December. Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, U.S. Ambassador to the Court of St. James, is seen pinning it on his breast. Other British naval officers were honoured with medals authorized by the U.S. Congress and each medal was accompanied by a letter from President Roosevelt.

U.S. Foreign Policy Trend Stiffens Against "Axis"

Japan in China, Reich and Italy in Europe, To Be Countered by Firmer Democratic Stand

Washington, Dec. 26.

PRESIDENT Roosevelt will strengthen American foreign policy in 1939 to meet the presssure of totalitarian powers in the western hemisphere and the Orient, high Administration officials predicted today in surveying international events of the past year. Government officials based their prediction on the increasingly firm stand taken by the United States in the latter months of 1938, including consistent American pressure for the maintenance of the Open Door in China. This pressure, it was pointed out, has been exerted despite Japan's resistance and objection to interference from third Powers in the Far East, and at the risk of endangering American-Japanese relations.

Other events of 1938 which were cited here as indicating the president's determination to maintain American rights and interests abroad included the bluntly worded protests to Japan against the fatal bombing of the U.S.S. Panay and Japan's prompt payment of indemnity; persistsent Notes to the European anti-Semitic governments demanding assurances that the rights and interests of American Jews would not be violated.

Washington's prompt demand, several times reiterated, that Germany assume responsibility for payment of Austria's post-war debt to the United States, constituted another indication of a firmer policy.

President Roosevelt's statement that the United States would not tolerate foreign aggression against Canada, and the President's intervention in the October European crisis over Czechoslovakia, America's rejection of Germany's protest against the recent anti-Nazi speech delivered by the Secretary of Interior, Mr. Harold Ickes, all in conjunction with the Lima Declaration which included the main objectives of the American delegation to the Pan-American Conference, further indicated the trend in Washington.

The Government's record peacetime rearmament programme, including plans for the defence of the entire western hemisphere, while continuing pressure for payment of indemnity by the Mexican government for American oil lands recently confiscated in Mexico, and the extension of credits to China and renewal of the U.S.-China exchange agreement which was to have expired at the end of this year, culminated the strengthening of ties with Britain which led to the extension of trade treaties to include the United Kingdom.

New Definition Expected

High Administration officials yesterday said the President would redefine the foreign policy of the United States in his message to Congress on January 3. The President, it was reported, is determined to reiterate America's opposition to dictatorial governments and will urge Congress to give wholehearted support to policies which would empower the Government to keep Fascism and Communism out of the New World.

The President is expected to denounce "power politics" which considers apparent in all relations with certain countries during the past several years. The President is expected to list specifically all cases of aggression by the totalitarian powers since the Japanese invasion of Manchuria.

Officials here regarded the incident involving the Secretary of Interior's attack on Germany last week as definitely closed, unless Germany decides to take further steps on the question. The German protest was rejected by the United States on the grounds that the anti-Nazi remarks of Mr. Ickes represented the opinion of a considerable portion of the American public, and that freedom of speech was one of the essential rights of all Americans. The reply to Germany hinted that more such speeches could be expected in the future unless the German press ceased printing anti-American propaganda.

Naval Policy Change

Establishment of a permanent Atlantic Squadron of the U.S. Fleet, which was announced here, was generally regarded as an indication that the Government would adopt a strong foreign policy. It was reported that in such a policy the Navy and the State Department would have the support of many Congressmen and Senators.

The Navy Department's explanation of the decision to create a permanent force to be stationed in the Atlantic, however, was that the question had been studied carefully for many years. Naval strategists have long studied the question, many of them feeling that such a force was fast becoming necessary. Proponents of the idea, however, were under distinct disadvantages during the era when Europe was comparatively quiet. The subject rose for new consideration, according to well-informed sources, soon after the Italian campaign opened in Ethiopia, and continued with increasing impetus after Germany's annexation of Austria.—United Press.

Berlin Press Hint Of Retaliation

Attacks on Washington Leaders Continued But Wilhelmstrasse Silent

Berlin, Dec. 25.

The German Foreign Office has decided to take no further steps in the controversy with Washington until after Christmas.

Newspapers here, however, continue their violent attacks on Mr. Harold L. Ickes, American Secretary of the Interior, and Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee. They also contain what appear to be vague threats of reprisals if America should break off diplomatic relations.

The "Nachtausgabe," for example, says: "One has the impression that certain circles in Washington want to rupture all relations with Germany. If that is really so, National Socialist Germany would known how to resist such an action pursued by Jews and Bolsheviks with Washington's co-operation."

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" says that if it really came to a rupture of relations, the German answer would not be long in coming.

All the papers suggest that the anti-German campaign in America is designed to distract the American peoples' attention from the "failure" of the Pan-American Conference.—Reuter.

Senator King's Views

Washington, Dec. 25.

Rupture of diplomatic relations and commercial ties with Germany by the United States was advocated here today by Senator William H. King, Democrat of Utah, who asserted that Herr Hitler must entertain commercial relations with other countries to keep himself up.

"An economic boycott by the United States and the other great democratic countries would strike Herr Hitler where he is most vulnerable," Senator King concluded.—Havas.

Italy, U.S.S.R. Agree To Close Consulates

Moscow, Dec. 25.

Following conversations here, the Italian Ambassador and the Commissariat for Foreign Affairs agreed to the closing of the Soviet Consulate in Milan and of the Italian Consulate in Odessa, the semi-official Tass news agency announced today.—Havas.

Sudden Arrests of Republican Army Men In Ulster Remains Mystery

Nationalist Circles Claim Sudden Coup Made On Pretext of "Plot"; Authorities Silent

Dublin, Dec. 25.

Mystery still surrounds the arrest of 34 leaders of the Irish Republican Army at Belfast at dawn last Thursday.

An official communique explained that the measure was taken following the receipt of information by the Government alleging that the Irish Republican army were to make attempts on the lives of political leaders in Belfast and destroy several buildings during the Christmas and New Year festivities.

Nationalist quarters assert that the so-called "discovery of a plot" by the Army is a mere excuse to justify the mass imprisonment of high officials of the Nationalist party.

These circles stress that the police refused to divulge the names of the arrested men, although it was found out later that some of them were youths connected with the Republican movement in Belfast.

The police are at present continuing their investivation and are looking for certain "conspirators" who fled when they were informed of the police raids.

Several public buildings, including the Town Hall and the Court of Justice, are still being guarded heavily. The arrests caused considerabe emotion in Nationalist public opinion, since only a short while ago public meetings by the group were banned.—Havas.

Japanese Emperor Opens Diet

Tokyo, Dec. 26.

A request for approval of the ordinary and special budgets for 1939, in view of the "gravity of the present situation," was made in an Imperial Rescrpit today on the occasion of the formal opening, by the Emperor, of the 74th session of the Diet.

"Our officers and men," it added, "have conquered and pacified important areas in China by overcoming great difficulties. However, to establish a new order in East Asia and secure permanent peace in East Asia, it is necessary that the national spirit should be elevated and the unified strength of the nation displayed."—Reuter.

Japanese Advance In Shansi

Four Towns Said to Have Been Captured ; Special Drive on Defenders

Japanese troops have captured four towns in Shansi and gained control of the hilly regions on the north bank of the Fen River opposite Linfen in operations during the past few days, according to field dispatches reaching Shanghai yesterday.

Detachments which captured Kuchen and Maochitsun continued a drive against troops of the 69th Division at Tumentsun and in a frontal attack Sunday morning drove them from their positions around the town, a message from Linfen claimed.

Other Japanese units operating northward in areas east of Taiku in Central Shansi attacked large Chinese forces of the 72nd Division and on Sunday morning attained an east-west line running through Fantsunchen, about 20 km. east of Taiku, according to the same dispatch.

Chinese Casualties

Additional Japanese columns operating in the same general area on Saturday afternoon captured Chenchiachwang, two kilometres west of Sunchutsun, and Taichientsun. Chinese casualties were given as more than 600 dead in the message from Linfen.

A dispatch from Taiyuan revealed that the Chinese forces near the Shansi-Shensi-Honan border made an unsuccessful attempt to recapture positions in the vicinity of Fenglingtu at the southwestern tip of Shansi.

Chinese troops concentrated round Tungkwan, across the river from Fenglingtu, sent several boat loads of men over the river but they were driven away, the Taiyuan message stated.

Japanese forces which have been operating round Fenglingtu for several weeks are preparing to cut the Lunghai Railway and sever communications between Loyang in Honan and Sian in Shensi, according to this report.

Three Army air units on Saturday afternoon attacked Sian and almost reduced to ruins the aerodrome, hangars and other military establishments, according to a message from Peiping All the planes returned safely to their bases.

Japanese naval aircraft carried out effective raids in Kwangsi and Kwangtung on Saturday, according to a communiqué issued by the headquarters of the Japanese China Sea Fleet Sunday afternoon.

Kweilin Raided

After waiting for favourable weather, a naval air squadron raided Kweilin, capital of Kwangsi, and bombed important military buildings, the statement said. Heavy damage was done and explosions were seen at several points.

Military establisments in Kweilin have been reduced to ruins by frequent bombardments, the statement continutd. In Saturday's raids all the planes returned safely to their bases although they encountered heavy anti-aircraft and machine gun fire.

A large military boat, a godown and two military junks in the vicinity of Chikanpu and Sinchang on the bank of the Chingtan River in Kwangtung were demolished by another naval air unit on Saturday, the statement said.

French Deny Aiding Spanish Destroyer

Paris, Dec. 26.

The Ministry of Marine issued a denial yesterday of the suggestion that the French Navy had helped to repair the Spanish Republican destroyer Jose Luis Diez. The Ministry declared that the repairs, which the vessel was now undergoing at Gibraltar, were being carried out by a private company, and that the French destroyers on patrol duty in the neighbourhood were taking no part in the work.—Reuter.

Hankow Conditions Described

Big Drop in Population, Chinese City Cleaned Out ; Yangtze Closure Stifling Foreign Trade

BY A CORRESPONDENT

CONDITIONS in Hankow are graphically described in this article by a correspondent who has had unusual opportunities of witnessing and investigating events as they have occurred since occupation of the area by the Japanese military. This article applies only to Hankow. Conditions in Wuchang and Hanyang—cities which have been almost entirely abandoned by the Chinese people—are different and find no place in this article which describes the general situation. Another article to be published tomorrow will deal with the position of foreigners and foreign trade since the closing of the Yangtze River.

It must first of all be noted that the population of Hankow at the time of the Japanese occupation had dropped to a generally accepted figure of about 150,000 persons, or one-fifth of the normal population. None had expected so vast a depopulation, and whither the multitude went remains a mystery. The advent of the Japanese found practically this entire survival of population within the confines of the foreign areas, the normal population of which is about 40,000 persons.

One of the first steps taken by the Japanese was the creation of a Refugee Zone some two miles above the Hankow Concessions, in the poorest district of the city, instead of using the Concession area, which had been designated as such. Taking all the circumstances into consideration, the step was a reasonable one. The area in question, known as Wu Shien Miao, has in the meantime become the most densely populated and only truly "live" district in Hankow. Its population is now estimated at 90/100,000 persons, practically the entire remainder being distributed between the French Concession (35,000) and the S.A.D.'s 1, 2 and 3.

There has been no shortage of rice for the Chinese population, and, in view of the attenuated population, none is feared. This is thanks to the forethought of the Refugee Committee. Fresh vegetables have hitherto come in abundance. There is no doubt that country-people are getting their crops in as quickly as they can, but there are grave fears that new crops will not be soon and that an eventual shortage is inevitable. Salt and fats are scarce and prices have advanced heavily. Fresh meat has hitherto been plentiful but, as in the case of vegetables, it is an unhealthy sign, because there is no doubt that cattle are being deliberately killed off.

Everything of Value

It will be noted from the foregoing that the major and, in every respect, the principal part of Hankow Chinese City continues to be deserted. The Chinese Government, prior to its evacuation, had destroyed the Japanese Concession and sundry Government buildings. Everything else in the three cities of Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang had been left intact. Since the Chinese evacuation there has been a series of serious fires in Hankow Chinese City, which have laid low a very great, perhaps indeed, the greater part of the city, other than the Refugee Zone which has been entirely immune from fires. This vast area is practically deserted. Certainly the Chinsee are by no means being encouraged to return to it, and this lends weight to the report freely circulating that the Japanese intend rebuilding it to be a commercial centre for their own purposes.

A tour through this area is instructive. Here, as widely also throughout the ex-concessions, the Japanese have removed everything of value to themselves, and the rest has been used as firewood. The blight which has fallen on large sections of Hankow can be likened to nothing so well as to prairies after a swarm of locusts has passed over them.

In the early days of the occupation, the Japanese resorted to widespread eviction of Chinese from their houses in the ex-concessions and, though on a modest scale, this continues to this day. In view of the destruction of the Japanese Concession this action is intelligible and must be condoned, but not so the heartless and unnecessary brutality which frequently has been observed to accompany it.

Japanese Conduct

The behaviour of the Japanese troops towards the Chinese population has been somewhat mixed, but on the whole undoubtedly superior to that experienced elsewhere. There has been organized and obviously approved spoliation of houses abandoned by their tenants or from which they had been evicted. Robbery of money from Chinese pedestrians by sentries, who search them, has been freely reported and frequently substantiated. Reports of rape are not infrequent but nevertheless isolated. The Refugee Zone has been almost completely free from violence and reflects great credit on the Gendarmerie, who guaranteed its security. In this respect the situation is markedly different in Wuchang. There the Japanese authorities have not only refused to allow the missions to interest themselves in the welfare of refugees but, having failed to evict some 6/8,000 who had taken refuge in the large Mission compounds, they have actually resorted to the extreme measure of starving these unfortunates out by refusing them access of food or water. In the countryside immediately outside Hankow the tale is a much blacker one. There is security for neither man, woman, child nor beast, and lurid stories are of frequent occurrence. From farther afield tales of destruction and spoliation are rife, and the ever-increasing stream of country-people into the Hankow Refugee Zone from towns up the Hank River adds testimony to these reports.

Every Chinese is required to have an identity-card, ensuring him the right of domicile, and therefore his presence on the streets and free passage. The grant of such cards is normally but by no means always automatic, even to perfectly reputable citizens. In the case of residents in certain foreign-owned property it is known that cards are being refused to Chinese tenants, because the Japanese are anxious to obtain the use of the property for themselves. Whatever the need or the merits of the system, little good can be said for the manner of its execution. The authorities are simply not equipped to handle it with either speed or efficiency. The utmost uncertainty has persisted regarding actual requirements and general inconvenience has been the result.

Many Restrictions

It is the avowed object of the Japanese to get the Chinese back to their homes and their occupations, but, if the avowal is sincere, it is being defeated by their every action. Rough treatment of pedestrians, refusal to issue passes to those temporarily resident in the French Concession, all manner of restrictions on the free movement of persons, vehicles and goods, destruction of

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Moscow Remains Adamant

Japan Offers Partial Compromise to Solve Fisheries Disputes

Tokyo, Dec. 25.

Substitution of new fishery lots in the Soviet waters of the Japan Sea for the forty - so-called stabilized fishery lots in which the Soviet Union recently refused to allow Japanese fishing was proposed by Mr. Shigenori Togo, Japanese Ambassador at Moscow, in his eighth conversation with M. Maxim Litvinov, Soviet Foreign Affairs Commissiar held on December 23, the Foreign Office revealed in a statement last night.

The Japanese envoy agreed to a partial surrender of the stabilized lots from which the Moscow Government felt necessary to exclude Japanese for "strategical reasons" provided the status quo were maintained in the remainder of the lots, the statement said.

Mr. Togo also requested that the contract term for the stabilized lots, with the exception of the forty affected by the new ruling, be extended for another year, while M. Litvinov is said to have insisted that the entire lots be submitted for auction.

M. Litvinov was further said to have told the Japanese envoy that it was "prepared to continue" the discussions next year.—Domei.

Negotiations Continuing

Moscow, Dec. 25.

Despite the huge difference in views manifested here by Japanese and Soviet negotiators, conversations on the thorny fisheries question have not yet been broken off, political observers pointed out today.

The opinion being generally expressed by Soviet semi-official circles is that Moscow is fully determined to stand by her attitude but that the Japanese will probably consent to give up certain fisheries lots which the Soviets want to see closed to foreign business.

The main difficulty, it is believed here, lies in the desire firmly expressed by Japan to cancel the auction system which the Soviets emphatically desire to maintain. The Japanese would like to see the lots attributed directly to Japanese concerns because, the Japanese negotiators here declared, the Soviets are taking advantage of the present system to raise the prices to a level which leaves no margin of profit to Japanese fishermen.

Moscow Denies Clashes

Semi-official circles here categorically denied today the rumours current abroad that several severe clashes had recently occurred on the Siberian border between Red Army detachments and units of the Japanese and Manchoukuoan armies.

These rumours, it was declared, were spread by certain sources to intimidate the Soviet Union to yield in the negotiations over the fisheries question.

The same circles also denied that War Commissar, Marshal Klementii Voroshilov, left the capital yesterday for the Far East.—Reuter.

U.S. Alarm Over Own Defence Deprecated

National Peace Conference Issues Reassurances

Washington, Dec. 26.

The National Peace Conference issued a statement today denouncing the "current wave of hysteria" regarding American foreign relations and urged the appointment of a Congressional committee to study all phases of the government's forthcoming national defence programme.

The statement said immediate steps should be taken to "clarify relations between United States foreign policies and national defence requirements." The Conference contended that the geographical position of the United States is the "controlling factor" in the problem.

"The United States," the statement said, "is in a strategic position to defend its territory on the North American continent and to defend the Caribbean, Central America and most of South America against any foreign Powers or any combination of powers."

Outside the western hemisphere, however, the ability of the United States to defend any of its policies is limited by the factor of distance, the statement said. The Conference contended that the United States cannot defend the Open Door in China by force or guarantee the defence of the Philippines.

Current nervousness in America over international affairs is not justified by "calm appraisal of the facts," the statement said.

The Conference opposed further expansion of the government's naval and plane building programme and warned against any attempt to solve the domestic recovery problems through national defence expenditures.

Sponsors of the Conference included Mr. Oswald Garrison Villard, prominent editor, and two retired major-generals, William Rivers and Henry Newcomes.—United Press.

Pennsylvania's Flying Governor Hurt

Morristown, P.A., Dec. 25.

Pennsylvania's "flying Governor," Mr. George Earle, was slightly injured today when the plane he was flying crashed while landing here. The Governor's wife also was slightly injured and two other passengers sustained serious injuries.—United Press.

Italy Officially Revokes Accord with France

Britain and Germany Notified; Paris Press Becomes Ironical Over Fascist Agitation

Rome, Dec. 25.

IT has been officially stated that Great Britain and Germany have been notified of Italy's repudiation of her 1935 Agreement with France over Tunis. That the re-opening of Italy's claims for colonial compensation is based on the 1915 treaty in London, was made clear in an article in the "Giornale d'Italia," yesterday. The article said: "The agreement over Italians in Tunis remains to be done over again. The problem of Article XIII of the London Pact, assigning to Italy the right to colonial compensation from France, to which France engaged her signature and her honour, remains to be re-solved to Italy's satisfaction."

The remainder of the article was designed to show that Italy never occupied territories ceded to her under the Mussolini-Laval Agreement of 1935, which Italy now denounced. The writer also complained that Italy had to pay a high price for shares in the Djibouti railway, which she acquired under the agreement, and she has not received the shares formerly owned by the Negus.

Signor Virginio Gayda, writing in the "Voce d'Italia," calls the forthcoming visit to Corsica of M. Edward Daladier, the French Premier, "provocative," because he will be accompanied by high military, naval and air authorities. He says that this "warlike demonstration will be provocative for all Italy."

Referring to reports that the French Government will state that Italy's denunciation of the 1935 Agreement restores the *status quo*, Signor Gayda writes that the *status quo* means that the state of hostility, which has divided France and Italy, will be reopened. It means, he adds, that Italy reacquires the full right to react against the "overbearing treatment by the French authorities at Tunis."—Reuter.

Quai d'Orsay Reticent

Paris, Dec. 25.

The French reply to the Italian Note, declaring that the Franco-Italian agreement of 1935 was void, was the principle topic of a 2½-hour Cabinet meeting yesterday morning.

Official circles are reticent about the contents of the reply, but it is generally presumed it will emphasize that France has regarded the agreement as liquidating differences between France and Italy and, consequently, France can only note the Italian denunciation, which re-establishes French and Italian relations on the status quo that existed before the agreement was made. M. Georges Bonnet, French Foreign Minister, also described at the meeting, the efforts he had made to effect a Christmas truce with Spain.—Reuter.

French Press Comments

Paris, Dec. 26.

Considerable comment was devoted in the press here this morning to Italy's denunciation of the Franco-Italian accord of 1935 and to France's reaction.

"The most pro-Italian Frenchmen view with pity this artificial excitation, these ordered injuries, and the so-called clever violences, since they know of the utter futility of such a stand," says L'Action Francaise."

"Why become indignant?" asked M. Vladimir d'Ormessosn, writing in "Le Figore." "The Fascists press is not a press; it is an organization of propaganda which obeys instructions. It has been instructed to deal with a subject, to 'put on the heat' or to turn it off. Therefore an essential distinction must be made between this fake campaign and the real state of mind of the Italian population."

Duce's Beautiful Eyes

"L'Ordre" adopted a more ironical tone. "Herr Hitler, who is dreaming of colonizing the steppes of Ukrainia, will not compromise the achievements he outlined in 'Mein Kampf' for Signor Mussolini's beautiful eyes."

Political circles here pointed out that contrary to certain assertions made in Rome, the 1935 accords were duly ratified by both the Italian and French Parliaments, although the exchange of the instruments of ratification failed to take place.

The accord was submitted to the Italian Chamber in May 1935 and was approved unanimously by all those present, while the Italian Senate approved the agreement on May 29 of the same year, by a vote of 235 to seven. The ratification in the French Parliament took place shortly after.—Havas.

Germans Called to Thank Lord God

Blessing of Fuehrer's Leadership Recalled; Pagan Customs Praised

Berlin, Dec. 25.

"We have a special reason this Christmas to be profoundly grateful to the Lord God for so visibly blessing the way that the Fuehrer took," declared Herr Rudolf Hess, as Herr Hitler's deputy, in broadcasting a message last night to Germans throughout the world.

A Eulogy of Germany's achievements in the past year and an announcement of a new decoration for mothers, were the main features of the address. Having enumerated the achievements, Herr Hess castigated doubters and critics in Germany and declared that even they cannot impede Germany's progress in the future.

As a Christmas present from Herr Hitler to fruitful mothers, Herr Hess announced that mothers of four or five children will receive a bronze cross of the German Mother. The mothers of six or seven children, he added, will earn a silver cross and a mother of eight children a gold cross.

Call to Pagan Ways

No nation on earth has a right to celebrate Christmas in such a spirit of community as Germany, states the "Schwartze Korps," the organ of Herr Hitler's Black Guards, today. "We celebrated it amid crackling logs before any Celtic missionary, announcing a foreign message of salvation, had trodden the soil of Germania. We celebrated it in lonely farmsteads and in forgotten valleys when the spies of 'love one's neighbour' doctrine threatened everyone who held on to pagan customs."

After recalling the fact that the pagan celebration of the winter solstice is centuries older than Christianity, the paper commiserates with Germans who have taken wives abroad, "among people whose appointed High Priests take great pleasure in declaring that they are much more pious and much more Christian than the Germans.

"Their Christmas symbol is the mistletoe, which is very bizarre and striking but which feeds on the sap of other trees, whereas the German Christmas resembles the fir tree, the slenderest and straightest of trees, deep-rooted and rising to a single point towards the sky."

The paper concludes its article by exhorting the German people to show an ever increased national spirit of community as "never in history, has the Nation been so insulted and slandered in morals and sentiments as in 1938, not only by defeated political opponents, but by so-called representatives and deputies of that Saviour, whose birthday they claim to celebrate.—Reuter.

Herr Hitler at Beer Hall

Munich, Dec. 24.

As in previous years, Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler passed Christmas Eve today among Nazi veterans in this historic tap-room of the Loewenbrau beer-house, decorated with greenery and Christmas trees for the occasion. Some 1,300 Nazis, dressed in brown shirts, gathered here today. These were veterans of the old guard. Gauleiter Adolf Wagner, Herr Hitler's "voice double," read out a brief address: "There is on earth no people happier than the German people," he stated and recalled the great events of 1938, congratulating Germany upon successes in Austria and the Sudetenland. "These lands can celebrate for the first time a Christmas as members of the Great Reich."

He eulogized National Socialist, "whose task as an educator has already yielded fruit." He proclaimed Herr Hitler's faith in Germany in the coming year, which "is rich in hopes."—Havas.

THE CINEMA

Christmas Concert

The Christmas celebrations were fittingly rounded out at the Lyceum yesterday afternoon when the annual concert round the Christmas Tree was given. Eight local schools sent their young vocalists to sing the carols and folksongs of several nations with the appropriate seasonal spirit.

The programme began with the playing by the Municipal Orchestra of Quilter's "Childrens' Overture," a delightful number based on many of the songs which children love. Then the Public & Thomas Hanbury School for Girls, the Cathedral School for Girls, the Yu Yuen Road Public School for Girls and the Secondary School for Chinese Girls sang in turn the songs they had prepared for the occasion. The curtain then fell for a short while and rose again to disclose a particularly charming scene all the children sitting around Mrs. P. D. G. Gain who then sang to them three beautiful songs for children delightfully accompanied on the piano by Miss Leyda Pezzini.

Fourth Member Ill

After the interval three boys from the Shanghai American School played in an accomplished manner two numbers for clarinets and succeeded in thoroughly pleasing the audience in spite of the unfortunate disadvantage of having the fourth member of their quarette taken ill before the concert.

They were followed by choruses of the Kaiser Wilhelm Schule, the Cathedral School for Boys, the College Municipal Francaise and the Russian Commercial School. And for a final number all the children who had participated sang "Holy Night" with only the lights of the Christmas Tree illuminating the theatre.

The members of the audience, old and young, were enthusiastic throughout the concert but, in strict fairness, it must be mentioned that their special applause was properly reserved for the children from the Russian Commercial School whose choral singing was truly superlative.—C.

Britain Assesses 1938 Progress

Rearmament Develops Steadily in Face of Tension in Europe

London, Dec. 24.

The past year was dominated by the evolution of the international situation along lines which determined the chief Cabinet reshuffles here and which led to the resignations of Mr. Anthony Eden and Viscount Cranborne in February and of Mr. Alfred Duff-Cooper after the Munich Agreement. Other salient features included the important position assumed by problems of national defence, which became matters of the first rank for all Governments.

For the first time in a long while, 1938 saw the nation in arms and the shadow of war very close indeed. Since May 21, the United Kingdom has lived constantly on the alert but for a brief period of eased tension right after conclusion of the Munich Agreement.

The year was marked by attempts to realize a policy of appeasement with Italy and Germany, and these yielded some results. The results were not as substantial as hoped in the case of Italy and failed completely with Germany.

Huge Rearmament

The Government's preoccupation with national defence problems was made obvious in the drafting of the Budget for the 1938-39 fiscal year, which calls for an expenditure of £944,398,000 upon the armaments programme alone. This shows an increase of £81,500,000 upon the estimates for the past year.

Of the total sum, the Army received £77,373,000, while the Navy got £83,810,000 and the Air Force, £72,976,000. More than £19,000,000 were allotted to cover payments of pensions in the three services. The total does not include £90,000,000 which the Government intended to collect by means of loans.

To cover the increased expenditure, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, increased income tax rates from five shillings and six pence, the highest rate since the World War. He also raised the tax upon tea by two pence per pound, and the tax upon motor fuel by a penny per gallon.

Futhermore, Sir John announced the constitution of reserve stocks of raw materials and the institution of measures to improve both the active and passive defence systems.

Increased Production

Chief efforts were bent towards increasing national production. In the field of aviation, projects were studied for the establishment of air plants in Canada, because such factories would not only serve to increase production but would be protected in case of attacks upon Britain herself.

Statistics are kept secret, but it is understood that the present monthly output of aeroplanes in Britain totals some 350 or 400 machines. This is expected to be doubled during the coming year.

With regard to the Navy, it is known that 21 warships of varying displacement were launched during 1938 and that the Admiralty has already announced that 46 more would be launched during 1939.

It seems that the Admiralty is bent upon establishing a formidable fleet of aircraft-carriers, because although seven are already in service, five others have been laid down in construction yards. Six of the vessels now in service are capable of carrying some forty craft apiece.—Havas.

Desperate Plight of 7,000 Jews

People Expelled from Reich Now Live on Frontier

Warsaw, Dec. 25.

The desperate plight of the seven thousand Jews expelled from Germany, who for nearly two months have sheltered in barns and stables on the Polish-German frontier, is now being investigated by Mr. Robert Briscoe, a member of the Eire Parliament.

Mr. Briscoe had an interview with representatives of the newly formed Jewish Colonisation Committee of Poland, which is occupied with a plan to finance the transference of refugees overseas.

It is understood that Mr. Briscoe put a proposition before the Polish Government, under which Poland is to supply a sum of money on the understanding that a further sum will be subscribed by Polish Jewry and international Jewish organisations. Polish Jews have already begun to subscribe.

It is believed that Mr. Briscoe is also contemplating a scheme for financing a mass emigration of Jews from Poland.—Reuter.

Manila Police Search For Train Robbers

Manila, Dec. 26.

Police officials intensified their search today for an undetermined number of desperate train robbers who murdered two clerks in the baggage and mail car of the Ilocos-Manila express train near here yesterday in an unsuccessful attempt to steal a $75,000 gold shipment from the Baguio gold region. The robbers were aided in their escape by false reports that an escaped murderer, Anselmo "Tough Guy" Balagtas, had been responsible for the robbery.—United Press.

Queen Mary Advised To Rest

London, Dec. 25.

The "Sunday Express" reported today that medical advisers to the Royal Family had advised the Queen Mother Mary to take more rest in the future. There is no immediate cause for anxiety over the Queen's health, however, the paper said. She has been inconvenienced with a slight throat ailment for the past two years, but this condition is not serious.—United Press.

Iraquian Premier Resigns

Bachdad, Dec. 25.

The Premier of Ira, Djemil El Madfai, resigned today, thereby causing a ministerial crisis. Nourri Pasha Said has been entrusted with the formation of a new Government, and announced this afternoon that he had succeeded. The crisis followed severe measures taken by the Premier against the opposition leaders.—Havas.

Hankow Conditions Described

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property, general intolerance and sordid violence against the local country-people, all combine to defeat the possibility of an early return to the normal. Even if the Japanese should choose to regard the Foreigner as useless, or perhaps even an obstocle in the path of their ambitions, the Chinese are indispensable to their own prosperity, and that does not appear to be realised. The Japanese have been heard to repeat that old Shibboleth about Hankow becoming the Chicago of the East. To the foreign observer it is an enigma how even the mediocre prosperity of recent years can be restored in the face of such action.

The Japanese are imbued with a deep-rooted suspicion that the bulk of goods stored in foreign godowns is the property of the Chinese Government, and in the course of enquiries, usually conducted by very subordinate officials assisted by quite inadequate interpreters, they are subjecting foreign merchrants to no little inconvenience and even annoyance. Chinese-owned cargo, when traced and admitted by its owners to be such, can frequently obtain indemnity from molestation by payment of a protection fee, or rather a series of fees, said to aggregate some 12 per cent. This has the semblance of a racket and there is little assurance that the pledge of security will be honoured. It appears to be the Japanese view that Chinese-owned goods are *per se* liable to confiscation, and, when the authorities have been able to lay their hands on them, confiscation has been frequent and indeed usually automatic.

The newly created local government remains little but a name. It is certainly not functioning noticeably. Its officials are men of no local standing, for the most part unknown, and, where known, assuredly of no high repute.

Dependent on River

Needless to say, there is overlap of Chinese and foreign interests and therefore of their problems. The foreigner is dependent on the Chinese not only for his trade but for his very existence. Therefore every difficulty placed in the path of the Chinese is apt to react automatically on the foreigner. The employees of foreigners, notwithstanding their identity cards, have been conscripted for daily labour, and the household is left to carry on without the services of its cook. In the movement of goods there is little to distinguish the restrictions on the foreigner from those on the Chinese.

The principal problem with which the foreign community is faced is necessarily the continued closure of the River and that is far more than a local problem. So long as it remains closed, the stifling of trade, at any rate western trade, with all that depends upon it, is automatic. It affects the livelihood, indeed the very liberty of every member of the community. Except as a rare and special privilege it is impossible to leave the port. To enter it is still more difficult. The continued separation of families may be more thoughtless than deliberate but it inflicts a very severe hardship. Another severe hardship is caused by the refusal to facilitate staff transfers, and that is perhaps worse in that it is definitely deliberate. Supplies of imported goods, commonly used in every household, are gradually being exhausted, and cannot be replenished. Prices are soaring, and when once the small stocks laid in by individuals and the one month's ration reserved by the Foreign Residents' Association have been exhausted serious problems are likely to arise. An interregnum, during which difficulty might be experienced in obtaining supplies, was anticipated and provided for, but nobody expected that Hankow would remain a closed port indefinitely.

OBITUARIES

General Martinez Anido

Burgos, Dec. 25.

The death was announced here yesterday of General Martinez Anido, Nationalist Minister of Public Order.—Reuter.

Sir Charles Higham

London, Dec. 24.

Sir Charles Higham, publicist and author, died at his home at South Godstone, Surrey, today. Sir Charles organized the first battalion of Volunteers at the outbreak of the World War, and was author of many Government appeals for men and money during the War. He was a member of Parliament from 1919 to 1922.—United Press.

M. Karl Capek

Prague, Dec. 25.

M. Karl Capek the well-known Czech author, died here today at the age of 48 after a short illness. He was best known for his dramatic works which were a great success abroad, especially in France. M. Capek was one of the most remarkable personalities of the Czechoslovak literary world. He was also a journalist, being one of the principal members of the editorial offices of the "Lidove Noviny." He was one of the late President Thomas Masaryk's closest friends.—Havas.

Nationalist Claim New Successes

Barcelona Declaring Offensive Stalled in Catalonian War Sector

Hendaye, Dec. 26.

General Francisco Franco's Nationalist troops in west Catalonia continued their desperate efforts to push through a 100 mile Republican defence line along the Segre River today after bitter fighting raged throughout Christmas Day

Burgos reports said the Nationalist offensive had advanced slightly less than five miles during the past 24 hours, making a total gain of fifteen miles in two days. Fighting was interrupted yesterday only when Catholic priests came into the Nationalist trenches to read Christmas Mass for the Franco troops.

Despite Nationalist claims, there were indications today that the Republicans were holding their lines in the centre sectors of the front and were staging a vicious counter-attack in the north near Tremp. Barcelona reports said Nationalist advances were "slight" and confined to the southern sector where advances were said to have been made only at great cost.

Much Aerial Activities

Republican troops were reported to have succeeded in narrowing the Nationalist offensive to only one sector where the Nationalists claimed big victories yesterday. Both sides reported broad aerial activities in the southern sector where Nationalist planes co-operated with infantry in spraying the Republican lines while Nationalist troops advanced.

Approximately 500,000 men were engaged in today's sanguinary battles along the broad front as the Nationalists fought bitterly in an attempt to succeed in their long threatened offensive against Republican strongholds in Catalonia.

Heavy snows aided the Republicans in some sectors in holding up the Nationalist advance. In the Tremp sector, however, the Nationalists claimed they had occupied dominating positions. Along the lower Segre River front Nationalist troops were reported to have broken through three Republican lines and turned southward in a fan-like manœuvre led by cavalry.—United Press.

"Going Like Clockwork"

Burgos, Dec. 25.

The Nationalist High Command of the Catalan front yesterday expressed optimism with regard to the offensive, which, a communique declared, "is going like clockwork."

The Nationalists, the communique added, are advancing in the north over snow-clad mountains, in the region of the Noguera and Pallareca rivers, where they captured many more prisoners and cut off many Republicans in Northern Sierra, by rapid encircling movements.

The Nationalists yesterday claimed to have reached the important towns of Mayol and Sarroca on the Segre front, opposite Seros.—Reuter.

Barcelona Controls Railways

Barcelona, Dec. 25.

A decree, placing the railways under the control of the War Minister, was published here yesterday.—Reuter.

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Freddie Kaufman Dies After Serious Illness

Mr. Freddie Kaufman, manager of the Cathay Tower night Club, died at 3.30 o'clock yesterday morning following several week's illness. The late Mr. Kaufman came to Shanghai from Berlin some years ago and was at various times connected with the Rubicon Inn and Ciro's Night Club before he became the manager of the Tower.

He was 49 years of age at the time of his death and was often referred to as "the doctor for the soul of people" by his many friends. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made and will probably be announced today.

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Britain Perfects New Bomb Explosive

Extraordinary Light Form Of Lethal Weapon Found

London, Dec. 25.

Details of a new incendiary bomb were released by the technical adviser of the Astbury anti--aircraft defences today.

The bomb is so light that a normal-sized bombing plane can carry 2,000 of them. It is known as the "Kilo Electron." A large bomber can drop ten or twenty of these missiles at a time. "The bombs spread out as they fall, and it has been calculated that a large bomber flying in a straight line at 200 miles per hour at a height of 5,000 or more, releasing twenty bombs per second over an area containing fifteen per cent. of buildings, might be able to start a fire every sixty or seventy yards," the technician stated. "The bomb gives off a flame of molten magnesium which would burn from ten to twenty minutes at a temperature of 1,300 deg. C. (2,736 deg. F.)—Havas.

Chinese Statesman Denounces "Reds"

Demand for Control of North Shensi Made

Chungking, Dec. 26.

In an open letter, published in the "Central Daily News," official organ of the Chinese Government, Mr. Chang Chun-mai, recognized leader of the Chinese Nationalist Party, bitterly attacks General Mao Tse-tung, head of the Chinese Communist Party.

Mr. Chang's attack deals specially with the Communist special district in north Shensi, where the Communists make their own appointments and collect their own taxes.

The letter points out that, if every political party in China should claim its own separate district, the Chinese nation would be seriously endangered.

Mr. Chang urges, therefore, that the Chinese Communists hand over, immediately, the administration of north Shensi to the Central Government and entrust the training of the command of the Chinese Communist Army to General Chiang Kai-shek.

In conclusion, the Nationalist leader asks the Chinese Communists to "forget Marxism temporally and devote your entire energy and efforts towards the national war of resistance."—Reuter.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

Two excellent date blocks for 1939, in Chinese and English with stands, have been received at this office.

AMONG the passengers who arrived in the ss. Carthage yesterday were—Mr. and Mrs. B. Allan; Mr. and Mrs. H. Jones and family; and Messrs. J. Blackwell, J. Boyce, and McGilchrist.

MRS. Burton Sayer's work party acknowledges with grateful thanks the gifts of money and provisions etc., which have assisted in the preparation of Christmas hampers for indigent British residents in Shanghai.

A RUMMAGE Sale will be held in the Union Church Hall on Thursday, December 29 at 10 a.m. Gifts of articles and clothing for same will be welcomed and can be left at the Hall. Helpers are urgently needed for tomorrow and Thursday.

AMONG the passengers arriving by the ss. Empress of Russia on Christmas Day were—Mr. and Mrs. R. Bellaire, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Potter and Messrs. J. P. Davies, J. S. Clark, D. G. Ryder, W. E. Tyler and J. H. Underwood.

MEDICAL and Nutritional Values in Chinese Fruits and Vegetables is the subject of the lecture to be given by Dr. Bernard E. Read on the lecture and forum programme at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. tonight at 9 p.m. Members and friends of the Association are invited to attend.

AMONG the passengers who left yesterday in the ss. Empress of Russia were:—Mrs. C. V. Starr, Mrs. A. Lyle, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Carlsen and Miss Carlsen, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. McClellan, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ginsbourg, Lieut.-Commander S. Clitherow and wife, and Messrs. W. H. Lydall, E. B. McGhee and Col. S. W. Minor.

JAPANESE residents of Hongkew greeted Christmas in a sober mood, the "Shanghai Nippo" reported on Sunday. Cafés and other amusement resorts were virtually empty, in spite of the gay preparations made by the operators who not only decorated the premises with the traditional tinsel but also distributed paper hats and other paraphernalia to waitresses and hostesses. The quiet mood was attributed by the daily to the present thrift campaign being pushed by the self reform league embracing all Japanese residents.

Marines Entertain Children

Thanks to the efforts of Sergt. Stevens and his host of assistants plus the generosity of the enlisted men, the Fourth Marines were at Home at Headquarters on Sunday to about 35 Shanghai orphans, mostly Russian youngsters. The kiddies ranged from about four to eight. The noon dinner was enjoyed by one and all, each of whom in her small way mentioned in her native tongue a word of thanks for the wonderful display of turkey ham and accessories. Adults attending had their fill with one plate, but the youngsters, enjoyed every titbit from soup to nuts.

To top the lot Sergt. Stevens and his corps had provided a handsome hamper for each to take back to the orphanage.

The affair was simple and enjoyable and was marked by one of the youngsters saying Grace, "The Lord's Prayer," in English before they sat down to their "banquet." A song, a cheer and a pleasantly tearful eye were ample demonstration of their appreciation of the occasion.

Capt. Crownmiller supervised the entertainment.

Mission to Lepers

As an established custom in the years past the Chinese Mission to Lepers has been instrumental in collecting funds for and distributing Christmas gifts to thousands of poor and destitute lepers being hospitalized in different leprosaria throughout the country with a view to giving them Christmas cheer. The recipients of this year's cash gifts include the following institutions:—

Kwangchi Leper Hospital, Hangchow, Chekiang	$ 60.00
Leper Church, Hankong, Fukien	50.00
Lilian Gamble Leper Home for Women, Hankong, Hinghwa, Fukien	30.00
Leper Church, Methodist Episcopal Mission, Hinghwa, Fukien	30.00
Kutien Leper Asylum, Kutien, Fukien	40.00
Alden Speare Memorial Hospital's Westminster Leprosarium, Yenping, Fukien	30.00
Leper Clinic, Presbyterian Hospital, Hengchow, Hunan	30.00
Sinhwa Leprosarium, Sinhwa, Hunan	50.00
Leper Hospital, Siaokan, Hupeh	60.00
Leper Home, Borden Memorial Hospital, Lanchow, Kansu	30.00
Nanchang, Leprosarium, Nanchang, Kiangse	100.00
Shanghai Leper Clinic, Shanghai	100.00
The National Leprosarium of Shanghai, Shanghai	100.00
Leper Clinic, Presbyterian Hospital, Tsingkiangpu, Kiangsu	20.00
Leper Clinic, Chaoyang General Hospital, Chaoyang, via Swatow	30.00
Hainan Leprosarium, Holhow, Hainan, Kwantung	100.00
Leper Clinic, Kityang, via Swatow, Kwangtung	30.00
Lo Ting Leprosarium, Lo Ting, Kwangtung	30.00
Leper Hospital, Pakhoi, Kwangtung	60.00
St. Joseph's Homes for Lepers, Sheklung, Kwangtung	80.00
Leper Clinic, English Presbyterian Mission Hospital, Swatow	50.00
Municipal Leper Asylum, Swatow Municipal Government, Swatow	30.00
Taikam Leper Colony, Taikam, Kwangtung	50.00
Boat Mission for Lepers, Tsingyuen, Kwangtung	50.00
Tungkun Leper Asylum, Tungkun, Kwangtung	80.00
Pichich Leper Home, Pichieh, Kweichow	50.00
Tenghsien Leper Homes, Tenghsien, Shantung	60.00
The Catholic Leper Asylum, Tseyiang, Shantung	100.00
Tsingchow Leprosarium, Tsingchow, Shantung	50.00
Leper Clinic, Presbyterian Hospital, Weihsien, Shantung	30.00
Chaot'ongfu Leper Asylum, Chaot'ongfu, Yunnan	50.00
Leper Asylum, Kiulungkiang, Yunnan	40.00
Yunnanfu Leper Asylums, Yunnanfu, Yunnan	50.00
Total.....	$1,750.00

In order to help more people suffering from this dread disease individually and collectively more funds are needed for this splendid purpose. All those who are interested in expressing their Christmas spirit that way are advised to send their gifts to the Chinese Mission to Lepers, 25 Tsze Pang Road, Shanghai.

Record Christmas Traffic

Demand for Taxis During Festive Period Creates A New High Figure Mark

Indicative of the magnitude of Shanghai's Christmas celebrations over the week-end is the fact that all traffic records were broken during Christmas Eve and Christmas Day An unprecedented demand for hire cars was reported by local taxi companies yesterday, who stated that the number of people carried this year exceeded that of any former Yuletide period. Some indication of the huge volume of traffic on the streets may be garnered from the fact that one hire car company reported that during the rush hours on both days all its cars were in use during one period.

The exceptional demand was felt by many Shanghailanders both on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day when taxis were so scarce as to necessitate a waiting period lasting almost half-an-hour before a vehicle could be obtained. "No sooner had one car come in," an official of one company told the "North-China Daily News," "than it was out again."

Although the three major companies placed 325 cars in service during the two days, this number was not sufficient to cope with the exceptional dmand as many a late reveller found to his cost as he bravely faced a bitterly cold early morning wind while awaiting the arrival of a taxi to carry him home.

An official of Taylor Garage Ltd. told the "North-China Daily News" that Christmas 1938 had been a record one in the history of the company. Between 2,500 and 3,000 trips were made on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day and that 80 cars had been placed on the streets in preparation for the rush, which, it was anticipated, would not be so great as in former years owing to the depressing times being experienced in the city.

Last-Minute Rush

The heaviest day's business was on Christmas Eve, it was stated, when last-minute shoppers made use of the cars late in the afternoon to carry home the numerous articles which had been purchased in preparation for the morrow's celebrations. Heavy demands were made also during the theatre hours and in the early morning periods as cabaret patrons wended their way home.

A total of 160 cars were commissioned by the Ford Hire Car Co., which reported the heaviest business for many years. An official of the company stated that the cars owned by the firm did not have "one minute's rest" and that the only time they were stationary was during refuelling.

The same conditions were reported by the Silver Taxi Co. which placed 85 cars in service. On Christmas Eve 3,000 trips were made—easily a record—while on Christmas Day, the total jumped to 4,000, which figure stands unchallenged during any period in the company's history.

Many Attend Christmas Parties of S.M.P.

Police Club and Louza Station Have Function

Elaborate celebrations were held yesterday by the Shanghai Municipal Police in observing the Christmas holiday.

At noon a reception was held at the Police Club in Foochow Road, attended by Major K. M. Bourne, Commissioner, and Officers of the Force.

Almost simultaneously a reception was given at Louza Station, at which a large number of the Police and their friends attended. The Divisional Officer, Mr. H. D. M. Robertson, Supt. Shellswell, Chief Inspector Chamberlain and others attended.

Grapes for the Christmas Season at Home

Eight thousand barrels Almeria grapes are here pictured at Southampton Docks for the Christmas trade in England. This was the first consignment of many thousands of barrels distributed throughout the country for sale this week.

Lima Declaration Unites All American Peoples

Unanimous Stand for Mutual Defence Against Threats on Liberties and Democratic Life

Lima, Dec. 25.

MR. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State and chief of the U.S. delegation, today indicated he felt another major stride had been made in the "good neighbour" programme. This, he indicated, was achieved with the unanimous approval of the "Declaration of Lima," which further modernized the United States Pan-American policy in the face of a vastly changed world outlook, particularly as regarded Europe. Mr. Hull, speaking before the plenary session of the Conference today, told the delegates what he conceived the "Declaration of Lima" to mean.

"We recognize in the Lima Declaration our determination to present a common front against activities or threats from outside forces designed to impair the peace, security, the territorial integrity of the American nations, or to undermine the democratic institutions of the western hemisphere. We declared that any such threats concerned us all, and that we were determined to make our solidarity effective.

"We are prepared to repel these threats with tenacity by means of concordant measures of a preventative nature or by combined direct action against anything that would impair or threaten the American order. We are prepared to take such action against any introduction of men or ideas that reflect or tend to establish in our lands are in opposition to ours, regimes which are against our liberties and theories of democracy and social and moral peace. We are prepared to defend ourselves against political fanaticisms and fetishisms which cannot prosper under American skies."

Mr. Landon Praises Work

Mr. Alfred Landon, former Republican candidate for president, who last week warned the United States that it must protect the westner world and not allow political differences to hinder such an objective, warmly praised the work of the Conference.

"From the beginning," he said, "it has been plain that there existed among the delegations a great measure of common unity of purpose..... All of us carried to the conference room the knowledge that great emotional and political disturbances rule in much of the world today. We have heard the accents of force grow louder, until they come to the ears of all peaceful men, like the relentless pounding of a hurricane. We have seen armies and airplanes organized for attack and vast fleets mobilized.

"We know that there is intense activity in the spread of doctrines inspired by hatred.....Such a dangerous situation has been created by the activities of some of the largest powers of the world today. It is plain to me from personal conversations that my colleagues of other delegations feel as most of us do in the United States, that the type of life we desire cannot survive if these practices prevail."

The next Pan-American Conference, the ninth, will be held in Bogota, capital of Colombia, in 1944, it was announced here today.—United Press.

Washington Enthusiastic

Washington, Dec. 26.

Early press reaction indicated the Lima Declaration would receive an enthusiastic reception in the United States, today.

The Declaration was expected to be popular because of the impression that it constitutes a bulwark against aggression in the western hemisphere and a safeguard for democracy.—United Press.

Argentina's Pledge

Buenos Aires, Dec. 25.

President Roberto M. Ortiz said in his Christmas message broadcast to the nation today that pacts and alliances between nations of the western hemisphere were not necessary to secure joint defence against possible outside aggression.

The President pledged his country to join with the American republics in resisting aggression, whether the attack was made on one of Argentina's neighbours or "distant friends."

"We can subscribe to all propositions based on reciprocal collaboration and mutual respect," the President said. "This excludes the necessity for pacts and alliances against possible attacks."—United Press.

A comparison of the quantity of electricity produced in the countries in which electrification is most highly developed reveals that Switzerland heads the list with 1643 kilowatt-hours per year and per inhabitant and 167.000 kilowatt-hours per km. 2 of territory.

Shanghai Spends an Enjoyable Holiday

Night-Clubs and Hotels Do Roaring Business as Shanghai "Steps Out"

Rarely in the past few years has Shanghai celebrated a Christmas season with such fervour as this year. Although the general conception of Christmas is that it is essentially celebrated within the family, the fact that nightclubs and most popular hotels did a roaring business indicates that after the usual turkey dinner and plum-pudding, the grown-ups took it upon themselves to step out.

Reservations at the various dining resorts had not been too brisk and hotelmen generally conceived a rather poor Christmas business until the day came when it was practically impossible to find a table anywhere and when curfew and other regulations seemed to have completely given way to the zest and joy which filled the bossoms of most Shanghailanders.

Night-clubs and restaurants had special floor-shows for the occasion, whilst even in the most modest of establishments, noise-makers and "souvenirs" were being freely dispensed both on Christmas Eve and the following evening. Last night not quite as many people seemed to be about the city, probably feeling that they would have to get a good night's rest before tackling work again this morning.

The atmosphere that prevailed throughout the city seemed to convey that for a number of days at least, depression and poor business conditions were entirely forgotten, and whilst Santa Claus seems to have been more generous this year than for the past five or six years, it was felt that to stay at home throughout the prolonged week-end would be asking too much.

Clubs were well filled as were restaurants throughout Shanghai, one notable feature being that even the Chinese population seems to have taken up the idea of celebrating Christmas and in this connection it may be interesting to note that one of the most striking illuminations especially put up for the festive season, was seen in front of one of Shanghai's many Chinese cabarets on Bubbling Well Road.

Enjoyable River Trip's

Yesterday afternoon, the various tea-dances advertised by a number of hotels, were well-frequented and quite a number of the more courageous celebrants took advantage of the good weather to go for a long walk or to ride.

Quite a number of Shanghailanders also availed themselves of the Christmas trips sponsored by a number of local steamship companies, and only arrived back here last night, reporting that the weather throughout the trip had been fine as had been all the other arrangements made for their comfort and enjoyment.

Due to the unsettled conditions, those who until last year had been in the habit of going to Hangchow for the holidays, were compelled to remain here again this year, although the jolly spirit with which they celebrated the holidays seems in no way to have under the "strain."

As a whole, children and grown-ups alike seem to have passed through a most enjoyable holiday season even though the long expected snow did not materialize to add more really to the Christmas season.

German Ambassador To Japan

Dr. Goebbels will be appointed German Ambassador to Japan for the double purpose of retaining the German economic interests in China and of co-operating with Japan in dealing with Soviet Russia, according to the United Press of China, an organ of the new "Nanking Government."

The report is viewed with seriousness by the Chinese press circles in view of the fact that the information originates from the only news agency which is established by the "Reformed Government" which is supported by the Japanese authorities.

One Chinese language evening paper states that Dr. Goebbels' impending appointment indicates that Japan, Germany and Italy have Far Eastern ambitions. The visits paid by German and Italian Ambassadors in Tokyo to the Japanese Foreign Minister on December 20 are said to have great import. It is asserted that here must be a secret economic agreement regarding the Far East by the three powers.

Christmas at the Union Jack Club

A happy gathering of British sailors, comprising of 74 members of the recently relieved R.F. Force and the local Naval staff, sat down to a regal "spread" at the Union Jack Club on Christmas Day, provided by the committee of the U.J.C. which enhanced the reputation of the Club for looking after the Services at Christmas every year. The "Hankow Force" voiced its appreciation through the medium of Petty Officer Dampier who made a short but impressive speech conveying to the Committee, the Resident Manager and staff, the thanks of the whole force for the wonderful reception they had received and for the excellent Christmas Dinner provided for them.

He concluded his speech by calling for three cheers for the committee, manager and staff, with an extra one for the manager which was heartily responded to. Mr. F. Hornbrook, resident manager of the Club replied on behalf of the committee and staff, and said that he hoped that the "force" enjoyed the Christmas fare, and found things generally a little better than being "bottled up" at Hankow. He brought his speech to an end by wishing all present the compliments of the season.

Crackers, cigarettes, cheroots and cigars were also distributed. In the evening both the Army and Navy filled the Club to capacity and indulged in free beer and "smokes" at the invitation of the committee.

Appendicitis operations have been performed for years and have saved innumerable lives. 1938 is a jubilee year for this branch of surgery. In 1888, fifty years ago, a Swiss doctor, Dr. Charles Krafft of Lausanne, published his "Essay on the necessity of surgical treatment of appendicular perityphlitis."

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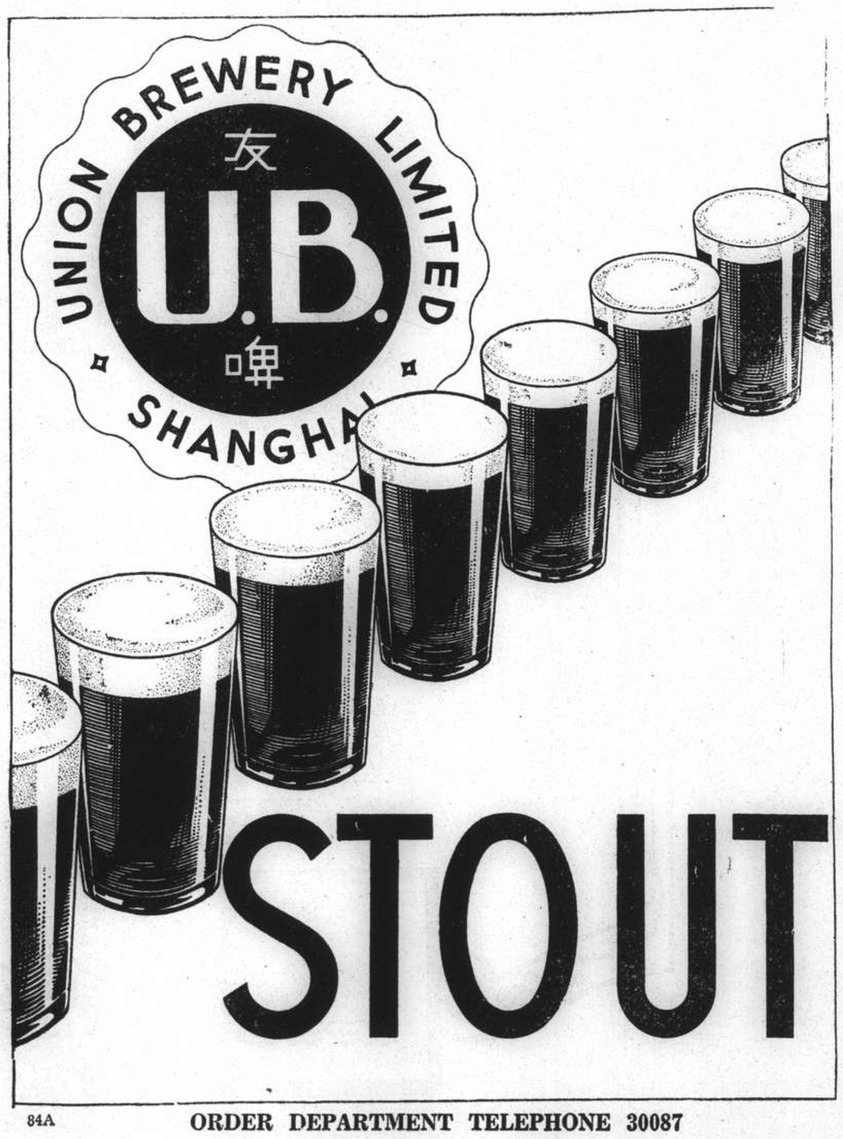

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Charity Soccer Match Won By Foreign Aggregation

Chinese Lose at Canidrome in Close Game Before 10,000 Spectators; Favacho Scores Twice

THE charity match at the Canidrome between the foreign selected team and the Chinese "all-star" team was honoured by the presence of Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, H. M. Ambassador to China, who started the game by kicking the ball straight at a press photographer, quite unintentionally of course, but raising a laugh with the record crowd of spectators, numbering at least 10,000.

The game was productive of one of the finest exhibition' of soccer seen in Shanghai for a very long time, both sides playing fast, exhilarating football, quite worthy of the splendid Marine Engineers' trophy for which they were playing to hold for the next twelve months or so.

The foreign team defeated the Chinese by the close score of 2-1, which is indicative of the actual play. Both sides impressed with their clever and entertaining football, although Peachey of the Seaforth Highlanders was hardly fit for this game after his recent injury.

It would not be fair to point out individuals in this excellent game, for every man on the field did his level best to produce good, clean football, consequently very few, if any, intentional fouls were seen. L. K. Tai, the Tung Hwa centre-forward scored the goal for the Chinese side with a perfectly placed header well wide of Atkinson while "Bobby" Favacho of the "Recs" scored both of the foreigners' goals with two excellent shots.

Before the kick-off the captains of the teams were introduced to Sir Archibald by Mr. Grimshaw of the Shanghai Football Association.

The teams were :—

Foreign XI:—Atkinson; Marcal (capt.), Collet; Westwood, McAloon Symons; Favacho, McGuigan, Fraser, Rosario, Peachey.

Chinese XI:—Chow; Chang, Zee; Tsiang, Lee, Yung; Chia, Suen, Tai, Kiang, Van.

Referee:—Mr. J. Anderson.

Linesmen:—Mr. Sung and Mr. Carnell.

The Chinese team kicked and an attack down the centre was nipped in the bud by McAloon, who dropped a long pass into the Chinese goalmouth where Darwin Chow attempted to gather it, but unusually for him, dropped it and it bounced almost over the goal-line, but he caught it in time and cleared. Shortly afterwards he was tested again by a shot by McGuigan which, however, lacked power and was kicked up the field.

Half Backs Support

Play was transferred to the other end where Van, taking a long shot at goal placed behind, doing the same thing immediately afterwards. The half backs of both sides were supporting their forwards strongly, and special mention must be made of "Paddy" McAloon who was a veritable tower of strength to the foreign eleven. In an interesting heading bout on the Chinese right wing the ball came to Tai, who standing right in front of goal headed into the ever alert Atkinson's arms.

Play changed from end to end very rapidly and thrill followed thrill as each team came within an ace of scoring, Fraser shooting at Chow at one end and Chia at the other and miskicking practically on the goal-line. The Chinese team were the first to score through Tai their centre-forward who, meeting a lovely cross from Chia made no mistake with a very good header to beat Atkinson.

Dribbling up the field McAloon was responsible for the best shot of the match up to this point, testing Chow with a great shot from 30 yards or so the Foreign team pressed for a time but their shooting was very weak at this period, again and again forcing their way into their opponents' goalmouth but being unable to get in a clean shot at goal.

Crisp Action in Second Half

The game proceeded after the interval in the same crisp way each team attacking in turn but being held by sterling defences at the ends, both the backs and goalkeepers being called upon to clear dangerous raids. Atkinson was injured in an attack on his goal, throwing himself at the feet of Kiang, but saving his goal from downfall, despite the fact that three forwards had a "pot" at goal while he was still on the ground. The situation was cleared by an abortive corner from the left.

The equalizer came from a clever goal by Favacho, who although worried by the defending backs, managed to place a good shot past Chow. This goal was the outcome of good work by McGuigan and Rosario, the latter player having changed positionss with Fraser at centre forward. The Foreign team began to assert itself from this point, and within ten minutes were a goal to the good, Favacho placing a slow dropping shot into the goal past Chow, who stood and watched the ball enter the net over his head. Both sides continued to play fast, entertaining football until the final whistle, which brought to an end the best exhibition of combination both in defence and attack seen for a considerable time.

On completion of the match the Marine Engineers' Trophy was presented to Marcal, the foreign captain by Sir Archibald Clark Keer complimented the teams on their fine sporting display. The teams gave three cheers for the Ambassador before making their departure. On entering his car Sir Archibald was presented with a bouquet by Mr. Grimshaw of the Shanghai Football Association, presumably for Lady Kerr.

Christmas Day Results

Following are the results of Cup and League games played on Christmas Day:—

TSZ LING CUP

Russian Regt. 3, Bramtoco 4
Abtielung 1, French Forces 8

RESERVE DIVISION

Tung Hwa 9, A.S.F. 1

THIRD DIVISION

P.T.H. 6, J.A.C. 0

Soccer Results at a Glance

The results of league and cup soccer matches played in Shanghai yesterday were:—

MARINE'S ENGINEERS' CHARITY CUP

Foreign XI 2, Chinese XI 1

RESERVE DIVISION

Aurora 3, S.R.C. 7

THIRD DIVISION

Vitiaz 2, Beter 3
Russian Club 3, Area Details 9
Tung Wen 3, Xaverians 2

Snow Plays Havoc with Home Rugby

Only Two Union Matches Played; League Results

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 25.

Snow played havoc with sporting fixtures on Christmas eve, especially rugger. Despite the precautions taken to ensure that pitches would be playable, many grounds were covered with six inches of snow.

All scheduled Rugby Union matches were cancelled, with the exception of two: In these Barnstaple beat Plymouth Albion by 11 points to six, and Exeter took the measure of Devonport Services by 13-3.

In the Rugby League four matches had to be postponed. The results of others were:

Barrow 15, Wakefield T. 6
Broughton 12, Oldham 5
Castleford 22, Huddersfield 0
Dowsbury 5, Keighley 10
Halifax 38, Bramley 14
Leeds 5, Salford 0
Leigh 10, St. Helens 18
St. Helens R. 15, Rochdale 13
Widnes 15, Warrington 2
Wigan 37, Hunslet 8.—Reuter.

Toronto Maple Leafs Blank Red Wings

Toronto, Dec. 25.

The Toronto Maple Leafs shut out Detroit in a fast hockey game here tonight which saw Charley Conacher in his first appearance with the Red Wings.

The Maple Leafs scored twice, beating the Red Wings 2 to 0. Conacher was booed frequently by the crowd for roughing.—United Press.

Canidrome Results

1—440 yd. flat.—1, Hielan Lassie; 2, State Lottery.
Also ran:—The Stowaway, Bermidale, Planet, Grumpy.
Short head.—Time, 26.98.
Win, 1$9.40. Forecast (1-2) Div. $100.
Place, 1st $9.70; 2nd $9.50.

2—500 yd. flat.—1, Chihli Black Panthes; 2, Charming Lee.
Also ran:—Princeton, Kind Girl, Sandals, Magasaki.
12 lengths.—Time, 30.07.
Win, $15.80. Forecast (4-6) Div. $76.10.
Place, 1st $12.10; 2nd $11.20.
Double Event 1/2 (1-4) $31.20.

3—500 yd. flat.—1, Brilliant Star; 2, Pearl's Glory.
Also ran:—Triumph, Gold Cap, Shenkoland II, Our Joy.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.57.
Win, $15.50. Forecast (1-6) Div. $317.30.
Place, 1st $10.30; 2nd $20.50.
Double Event 2/3 (4-1) $27.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Red Bug; 2, Eumaeus.
Also ran:—Paper Boy, Jack O'Lantern, Inverspey, Bebben.
Short head.—Time, 30.29.
Win, $16.40. Forecast (1-5) Div. $137.20.
Place, 1st $11.30; 2nd $14.80.
Double Event 3/4 (1-1) Div. $48.50.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Black Duchess; 2, Wild Harmony.
Also ran:—Woosung, Wild Jack, Go By, Kittywinks.
3 lengths.—Time, 29.96.
Win, $29.10. Forecast (2-5) Div. $111.40.
Place, 1st $14.90; 2nd $10.10.
Double Event 4/5 (1-2) Div. $60.50.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Luhai Lily; 2, Shadow.
Also ran:—Chihli Blue Knight, Grayzeb, Taigai Junior, Aramis.
1½ length.—Time, 30.13.
Win, $35. Forecast (2-5) Div. $223.70.
Place, 1st $15.70; 2nd $12.70.
Double Event 5/6 (2-2) Div. $71.50.

7—600 yd. flat.—1, Drummer; 2, Teiresias.
Also ran:—Lady's Man, Le Butin, Brigand, Spetmin Lecitin.
1½ lengths.—Time, 36.32.
Win, $13.30. Forecast (2-4) Div. $149.
Place, 1st $10.40; 2nd $16.20.
Double Event 6/7 (2-2) Div. $69.90.

8—560 yd. flat.—1, Talisman; 2, Young Taigai.
Also ran:—Carnera, Luhai Rose, Belle O'New York, Mona.
½ length.—Time, 30.06.
Win, $18.40. Forecast (4-3) Div. $141.50.
Place, 1st $12.90; 2nd $20.50.
Double Event 7/8 (2-4) Div. $21.20.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Our Delight; 2, Theydon Bois.
Also ran:—Silhouette, Chop Stick, Future Pal, Flintship.
2 lengths.—Time, 29.79.
Win, $22.90. Forecast (4-3) Div. $50.30.
Place, 1st $10.50; 2nd $8.80.
Double Event 8/9 (4-4) Div. $25.30.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Irish Lover; 2, Juliana.
Also ran:—Dolphine, Radio, Eve, Chekiang.
1 length.—Time, 29.91.
Win, $29.20. Forecast (4-2) Div. $169.30.
Place, 1st $12.60; 2nd $20.
Double Event 9/10 (4-4) Div. $48.50.

11—500 yd. flat.—1, Belle O'Siccawei; 2, Mars.
Also ran:—Madam's Hope, Gleniffer, Maid of Morveu, Glen Artney.
A head.—Time, 30.01.
Win, $50.30. Forecast (6-4) Div. $155.60.
Place, 1st $18.90; 2nd $10.60.
Double Event 10/11 (4-6) Div. $105.80.

12—525 yd. flat.—1, Maid of Skye; 2, Good Boy.
Also ran:—Nancy Blue, Valencia, Luhai Lass, Careless Cissie.
Short head.—Time, 30.94.
Win, $28.60. Forecast (4-1) Div. $78.40.
Place, 1st $10.20; 2nd $6.50.
Double Event 11/12 (6-4) Div. $98.

13—525 yd. flat.—1, Castlerock; 2, Laughton.
Also ran:—Brilliance, Black Satin, Black Silk, Careless Chap.
½ length.—Time, 30.78.
Win, $17.70. Forecast (4-3) Div. $130.60.
Place, 1st $11.70; 2nd $21.
Double Event 12/13 (4-4) Div. $35.90.
"The Christmas Trophy"

14—730 yd. flat.—1, Once More; 2, Rio Queen.
Also ran:—Merry Mike, Shanghai Life, Tinker, Master Zeb.
2 lengths.—Time, 43.89.
Win, $28.50. Forecast (2-3) Div. $249.40.
Place, 1st $17.20; 2nd $31.70.
Double Event 13/14 (4-2) Div. $39.10.
Cash sweep:—1st Dog No. 598, 2 Dog No. 324, 3 Dog No. 293.
Unplaced:—468, 545, 402.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Riders Spill at Hunt Club Finish

A thrilling finish was envisaged yesterday at the Paper Hunt Club's Annual Christmas ride. Those on the "spot" thought that several were "down and out," but it was learned on investigation that A. M. Diniz's injuries were more or less superficial, differing from what was thought at the moment.

England Makes Fine Start in First South African Test

Paynter Scores Century After Edrich Fails to Open Account; Gibb Just Misses Hundred Mark

Johannesburg, Dec. 25.

WITH Paynter, the Lancashire left-hander, contributing 117 in a brilliant knock, England made a splendid start yesterday in the first Test match against South Africa, batting all day to score 326 for six. Paynter was associated with Gibb in a second wicket stand which produced 184 runs. Gibb himself was responsible for 93.

Edrich, of whom great things were expected, was again a failure, being dismissed for only four runs. Hammond made 24 before being sent back to the pavilion, while Ames contributed 42.

The teams were:—

England: Hammond (captain), Valentine, Yardley, Gibb, Edrich, Goddard, Paynter, Verity, Wilkinson and Ames, with Bartlett as twelfth man.

South Africa: Melville (captain), Mitchell, Nourse, Wade, Viljoen, Van der Byl, Langton, Davies, Dalton, Gordon and Bond.

Play began in cloudy and cool weather and before a crowd of only 3,000 persons. Friday's downpour had not affected the wicket, which was fastish, but the outfield was wet.

Edrich Fails Again

Hammond won the toss, and sent in Edrich and Gibb, but in the first over the former edged an outswinger from Davies into slips after scoring the only four runs on the board (four for one).

Paynter filled the gap, but both batsmen found Davies, whose deliveries were coming down extremely fast and swinging considerably, difficult to play.

The Lancashire batsman was uneasy at the start, and early on was almost bowled by an inswinger from Langton. Subsequently, however, the batsmen settled down and played very steady cricket.

Playing a more aggressive innings, Paynter had passed Gibb before the luncheon adjournment, when the score-board read 98 for one, with Gibb 33 and Paynter 56.

The crowd had increased to 10,000 when play resumed. The left-hander drove Davies to the off to send up the 100 after play had been in progress for 112 minutes. Gibb reached his 50 after 156 minutes.

The batsmen were finding it extremely difficult to score until the appearance of Bond, medium-paced bowler, who was severely punished.

Paynter's Century

Paynter reached his century after 157 minutes, and then shortly afterwards, in attempting a square cut, he chopped a ball from Mitchell on to his wicket.

His score of 117 was the result of a brilliant innings, lasting 174 minutes. After an uncertain start, he was extremely aggressive, and hit a sixer off Mitchell and eight 4's (188 for two).

Hammond joined Gibb, and they were undefeated at the tea interval, when the score-board registered 227 for two, with Gibb 79 and his skipper 21. After the adjournment both batsmen were very subdued as a result of splendid bowling.

When only seven runs had been added to the score Hammond stepped across his wicket to a ball from Gordon, but was beaten by a break and was out leg-before. The outgoing batsman made 24. When he completed 6,000 runs in Test cricket (234 for three).

Gibb followed his captain back to the pavilion when he was caught by Melville at silly midon off Mitchell. He was then only seven runs short of his century. His dour defensive innings lasted 276 minutes, and included seven 4's (278 for four).

Ames delighted the crowd with an aggressive knock, which ended when he snicked a rising ball from Gordon into the hands of Wade. He contributed 42 in an innings lasting 45 minutes featured by polished cricket and powerful driving. His total include four boundaries 292 for five).

Yardley was the last man to be out before stumps were drawn. He cocked up an offspinner off Mitchell and was caught by the bowler for seven (294 for six).

Valentine and Verity then became associated, and the 300 was hoisted after play had been in progress 307 minutes.

At the close Valentine had 12 and Verity, who played a defensive innings, 19, the score being 326 for six.

Scores:

ENGLAND—1ST INNINGS

Edrich, c. slips, b. Davies	4
Gibb, c. Nelville, b. Mitchell	93
Paynter, b. Mitchell	117
Hammond, l.b.w., b. Gordon	24
Ames, c. Wade, b. Gordon	42
Yardley, c. and b. Mitchell	7
Valentine, not out	12
Verity, not out	19
Extras	8
Total for six wickets	326

Fall of wickets:—4-1 (Edrich); 188-2 (Paynter); 234-3 (Hammond); 278-4 (Gibb); 292-5 (Ames); 294-6 (Yardley).—Reuter.

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3. FERNANDO	3. ALBERDI
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Association Football

London, Dec. 24.

Following are the results of the League Soccer matches played today:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE, 1ST DIVISION

Aston Villa 0, Grimsby Town 2
Charlton Athletic 2, Bolton Wanderers 1
Chelsea 4, Liverpool 1
Everton 4, Blackpool 0
Huddersfield Town 1, Brentford 2
Manchester United 1, Middlesbrough 1
Portsmouth 0, Arsenal 0
Preston North End 2, Leeds United 0
Stoke City 1, Leicester City 0
Sunderland 1, Birmingham 0
Wolverhampton W. 0, Derby County 0

2ND DIVISION

Bradford 3, Norwich City 0
Burnley 1, Coventry City 0
Bury 2, Sheffield Wednesday 3
Chesterfield 3, Millwall 0
Luton Town 3, West Bromwich A. 1
Plymouth Argyle 0, Newcastle United 1
Sheffield United 0, Nottingham Forest 1
Swansea Town 2, Manchester City 0
Tottenham Hotspur 1, Southampton 1
Tranmere Rovers 1, Blackburn Rovers 1
West Ham United 1, Fulham 0

3RD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Aldershot v. Port Vale (Postponed).
Bristol City 2, Watford 0
Crystal Palace 3, Bournemouth & B. A. 0
Exeter City 1, Cardiff City 1
Mansfield Town 1, Bristol Rovers 3
Newport Count 2, Clapton Orient 1
Northampton Town 4, Torquay United 1
Notts County 2, Swindon Town 0
Queen's Park R. 2, Reading 2
Southend United 0, Ipswich Town 0 (abandoned).
Walsall 0, Brighton & H. A. 2

3RD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington Stanley 1, Halifax Town 2
Barnsley 3, Oldham Athletic 0
Darlington 0, Bradford City 4
Gateshead 0, Crewe Alexandra 5
Hartlepools United 2, Carlisle United 1
Hull City 3, Chester 0
Lincoln City 1, Barrow 1
Rochdale 0, Rotherham United 1
Stockport County 1, New Brighton 1
Wrexham 4, Southport 3
York City 2, Doncaster Rovers 2

SCOTTISH LEAGUE, 1ST DIVISION

Aberdeen 3, Celtic 1
Albion Rovers v. Ayr United (postponed)
Clyde v. Falkirk (postponed)
Hamilton Acas 1, Arbroath 1
Hearts 5, Partick Thistle 0
Kilmarnock v. Motherwell (postponed)
Queen of the South 2, Hibernian 1
Raith Rovers 2, Third Lanark 2
Rangers v. St. Mirren (postponed).

2ND DIVISION

Alloa 6, St. Bernards 1
Dundee United 1, Brenchin City 0
Dunfermline Athletic v. King's Park (postponed)
East Stirlingshire v. Dumbarton (postponed)
Edinburgh City v. Forfar Athletic (postponed)
Leith Athletic v. Cowdenbeath (postponed)
Montrose v. Airdrieonians (postponed)
Morton 0, East Fife 2
Stenhousemuir 1, Dundee 1
—Reuter.

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Christmas Paper Hunt

Krikoriantz on Danville Takes Honours from Fritz on Tempest; 60 Riders Participate

By The Chaser

THE strong combination of Chester Fritz and Tempest finally met their match yesterday at the Christmas Hunt, when N. I. Krikoriantz on Danville got the better of him by two lengths after a gruelling hunt of about eleven miles, in slightly heavy going, to pass the flags first and win his pink."

About 60 riders galloped away when the word was given and the first to go over the top was Dr. Robertson who approached the first platform with a muddy coat. All through the hunt there were spills galore—even Krikoriantz and Chester Fritz had a toss. The former came down early in the hunt at Christmas Line while the latter parted company for a moment about four miles from home and lost his whip.

The hunt was laid by the Master, Mr. H. M. Spence, who laid the following course: Start: Kesick's Garden; Platform; Forth; Christmas Line and straight on to Hsinjao Village near Beacon's Mound, crossing Siccawei Creek by bridge; New Platform; Big Cross Jump; Harper's Hole; Only Way Line; Only Way; Tiefenbacher's Platform; Green paper at Dalgarno's Plunge over Jordan River; Westwards to Bunded Bastard; Far Away Wade and a ter a check, back over Siccawei Creek by new road bridge; Goods Water Jump; Baby Hops to Mrs. Soyka's and on to Obstruction Wade to second Green paper at Tiefenbacher's Wade. Home by High Low Cross Jump; Deep Platform; Plum Line; Twelve Trees Village and two dry cuts to New Wade and along East of Christmas Wade Village to finish at Spence's Rubicon Finish near handicap wooden bridge over Rubicon Creek. The Y class was won by Miss Hanke on Hay Hay who finished fifth as morgan was disqualified. It is understood that the Stewards will entertain a protest. The card read as follows:

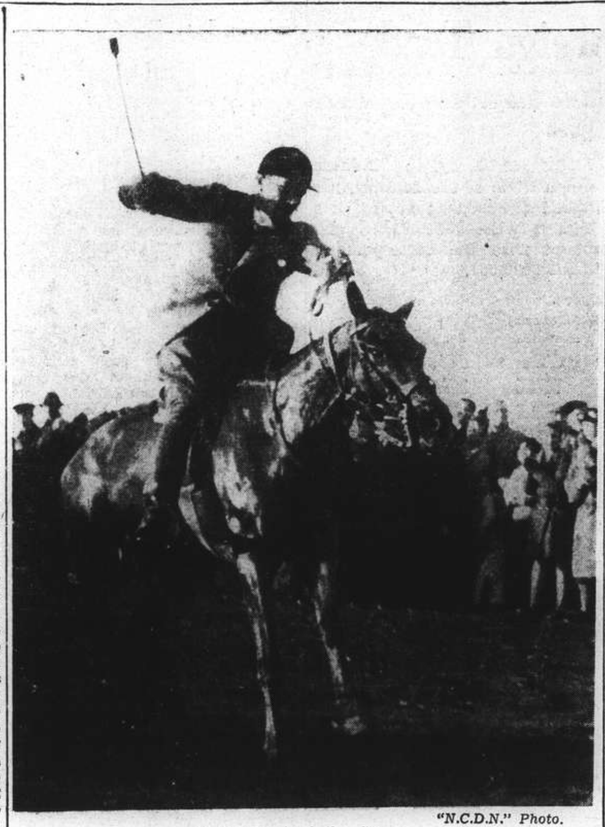
The Christmas Card

1. N. I. Krikoriantz on Danville (Z)
2. Chester Fritz on Tempest (Z)
3. E. B. Moller on Highlight (Z)
4. W. H. Allman on Bull Run (Z)
5. Miss Hanke on Hay Hay (Y)
6. C. O. Cumming on Teas

Winners. N. I. Krikoriantz and Miss Hanke.

When the field came in to sight Krikoriantz was seen leading Fritz by two lengths while the others followed one another with two lengths separating each. E. B. Moller was about eight but was rapidly overhauling the leaders. When the leaders approached the last jamp Krikoriantz was still in the lead and although his pony dropped his hind legs he managed to scramble through in time to win.

E. B. Moller came boldly over the last jump and just as he reached the winning post his pony slipped and sent him for a loop but was nevertheless third. F. X. Dinix had vesy bad luck when he was fourth at the last jump and jumped short and fell in. Melchoir who was close on to him promptly followed suit and slipped into the muddy depths of the jump.



"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Paper Hunt of the Season

Krikoriantz makes a thrilling finish, winning from Chester Fritz by two lengths over gruelling run.

Local Hai Alai Player Weds in Manila

Salsamendi Bringing Bride To Shanghai

Manila, Dec. 24.

Jose Luis Salsamendi, the "baby" of the Shanghai Auditorium hai alai team and one of the leading players of the Basque sport, today married Pilar Miranda, a dark-eyed 22-year-old Spanish girl.

Salsamendi, who is 21 years of age, and the local girl, who is an employee of the Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company, were married at a quiet ceremony and before a few friends and the birde's family at the Ermita Church.

The couple are keeping their honeymoon plans a secret. However, it was understood from their friends that they plan to leave for Shanghai soon after the New Year holidays.—United Press.

Army Wins Hockey Game Yesterday

Playing with only ten men, the Shanghai Hockey Club "B" side were trounced by the Shaforce, of 5-1, at the Race Course yesterday afternoon in a friendly game. The army, team was made up of players from the Seaforths, the East Surreys, and the Area Details.

Cheney, centre-forward of the Scottish Regiment, played a great role by tallying four goals in the first half. He netted the opening tally within five minutes. Late in the period he broke loose and countered the second shot. In the 30th minute the sharp-shooter made the hat-trick with a beautiful first-time shot near the edge of the circle. In less than three minutes he flicked in a fourth goal.

Rays of the Area Details notched the fifth goal with a terrific drive in the first threee minutes after the interval. Play became listless as the Army eleven were contented with a 5-0 lead. The Club scored five minutes from the end through Churchill, who received a long pass from midfield and worked the ball in to beat the Shaforce goalkeeper with a well-placed shot.

The teams were as follows:—

Shaforce:—Wilson (Seaforths), Le Claire (Surreys), Gunton (Surreys), Gilbody (Surreys), Aberdeen (Seaforths), Penberton (Area Details), MacDonald (Seaforths), Rays (Area Details), Cheney (Seaforths), Fisher (Area Details), Pike (Surreys).

S.H.C.:—Brazel, Blakelock, Cassels, Larson, Ford, Sairbairn, Maude, Knight, Churchill, Watkin-Williams.

Shelaeff Suffered From Kidney Trouble

San Francisco, Dec. 26.

The official autopsy on the body of André Shelaeff, former welterweight champion of the Orient, revealed a kidney hemorrhage and blood clots on the brain, it was announced at the inquest today.—United Press.

Press Regulation Approved

Japanese Scribe Sees in Order For Publications On Diplomatic Gesture

Praising the British authorities' recent action imposing a licence system for publications not in the English language, the "Yangtze Hermit," a frequent contributor to the Shanghai Mainichi, on Friday advocated the making of the British regulations retroactive and the adoption of similar measures by the American authorities.

Recalling that the "North-China Daily News," in its editorial of December 22 had stated that "the new King's regulation....will be welcomed by those who have watched with some concern the activities of certain newspapers published in the Chinese Language under the cloak of British ownership," the Hermit expressed the hope that "this Regulation will not be a mere diplomatic gesture toward Japan, but firmly put into practice."

"Poisonous" Propaganda

The commentator said he had frequently pointed out on previous occasions that the Chinese, publishing newspapers in the vernacular registered with the British authorities so as to evade "Japanese control, were engaged in "disseminaing empty lies and indulging in poisonous anti-Japanese propaganda" and had demanded rigid control against these publications by the British and American authorities.

Stressing the need for making the Regulation retroactive, the Hermit pointed out that saturation point had already been reached by Chinese publications in Shanghai. "Consequently," he continued, "it can be estimated that those that will appear anew will be few in number, while it is a fact that newspapers now being published are doing most of the harm."

"The best manner in which to serve the purpose of the new Regulation," the Hermit stated, "is that its provisions be applied to the newspapers mentioned above. If these are immune from the new Regulation, the rules will fall short of their aim."

Pointing out that there were many newspapers of the same type published under the cloak of American ownership, the commenator said he hoped that the United States would follow the British example.

English Papers Criticized

"To go to the bottom of the matter, however, a mere control of newspapers will not be effective in stamping out those of anti-Japanese character. To strike at the root, third-party Powers should assume a more positive attitude towards the prohibition of anti-Japanese ogranizations which lurk behind the anti-Japanese newspapers."

Asserting that there were newspapers in European languages which publish "Chinese propaganda with qualifications and carry articles and editorials of the same tenor as that of Chinese-language papers," the Hermit urged a strict supervision upon English-language as well as other newspapers.

"What is important," he concluded, is not the mere publication of regulations, but the eradication of such causes as make the regulations necessary."

M. Blum Wants to Have Firm Stand

French Socialists Now Split Over Foreign and Home Policy Methods

Paris, Dec. 25.

The sitting of the Socialist Congress, adjourned owing to the lengthy discussions by the Resolutions Committee over the Foreign policy draft motions submitted by M. Leon Blum, former Prime Minister and leader of the Socialist Party in Parliament, and M Paul Faure, former Minister and Secretary General of the Party.

M. Leon Blum is advocating "resistance against dictatorships" while M. Paul Faure is defending the conciliatory view, calling for alliances even with countries at present under dictatorial regime. The main difference between the two draft motions lies, however, in the problem of mulual assistance pacts and other international treaties of which France is a signatory, notably the Franco-Soviet Assistance Pact.

While M. Leon Blum considers that the obligations imposed on the country by those documents are to be strictly observed and cannot even be discussed, M. Paul Faure, on the contrary, rejects the automatic application of the treaties and even demands that some of them be denounced. Furthermore, M. Paul Faure suggests that before engaging in War, France should consult Great Britain and subordinate her entry in a conflict to full agreement with London on the points involved.

M. Blum Wins First Round

Despite lengthy efforts, the Resolutions Committee was unable to conciliate both motions. Late tonight, it was announced that a vote by the members of the committee gave eighteen to M. Leon Blum's motion against eleven for the project submitted by M. Paul Faure. Four members of the committee abstained from voting.

Simultaneously, it was announced that the Committee was also unable to combine the motions presented by M. Leon Blum and M. Paul Faure on questions of home policy.

Both motions include a severe condemnation of the recent decree-laws and voice opposition to the government headed by M. Edouard Daladier but while M. Leon Blum advocates the formation of a "Cabinet of French Unity round the Popular Front," M. Paul Faure considers this formula far too broad.

Most observers here believe that the Congress will pass by a strong majority, the Foreign Policy motion presented by M. Leon Blum and that M. Paul Faure will consequently resign from his duties as Secretary General of the Party.

It appears much more difficult to forecast the attitude which the party will take on home policies and a heated discussion will probably take place, prior to the vote, political circles here declared.—Havas.

Mr. Hopkins' Foes Rally To Oppose Appointment

Republicans and Democrats To Take Up Election Issue

Washington, Dec. 24.

Mr. Harry L. Hopkins, newly appointed Secretary of Commerce, took his oath of office here today. At the same time Mr. Hopkins foes in Congress composed of Republicans and some conservative Democrats, began forming a coalition to try to prevent the Senate from confirming his appointment when Congress convenes in January.

Members of this new coalition said they would base their attack against Mr. Hopkins on a report recently issued by the state campaign expenditures committee which charged that Government relief funds were expended through the Works Progress Administration. They also said that Mr. Hopkins would be attacked for a remark which he is alleged to have made recently—which was widely printed, although Mr. Hopkins himself denied having made it—to the effect that "We will spend, and spend tax receipts, to elect (our candidates)."—United Press.

French Senate Finance Body Passes Budget

Paris, Dec. 24.

The Senate Finance Committee today adopted with only unimportant modifications the bill upon the French Budget for 1939, already voted through by the Chamber of Deputies. The modifications suggested are not with regard to the essential articles of the project.—Havas.

Overseas Remittances Break All Records

Chungking, Dec. 26.

Remittances from overseas Chinese this year are expected to reach an all time high record of more than $600,000,000, as compared with the average yearly figure of $300,000,000, in previous years. Up to November, this year's remittances already totalled $500,000,000, most of which comprised contributions towards the Chinese Government's war chest. Remittances from overseas Chinese are stated not only to help finance China's war of resistance, but also to stabilize Chinese currency.—Reuter.

Dead Briton Identified As Cyprus Official

Paris, Dec. 25.

Mr. Howard Nankivell, Treasurer of Cyprus, has now been identified as the Englishman, born in Jamaica, who was killed in a fall from a train on December 21. He was Deputy Colonial Secretary of Trinidad at the time of the rioting in June, 1937, when 14 persons were killed, and came into prominence because of a the speech in connection with the outbreak, which he made at the Legislative Council.—Reuter.

Imperial Rescript Notes Cordiality

Tokyo, Dec. 26.

In a Rescript, much longer than the customary message from the Throne, issued today at the opening of the 74th session of the Diet, His Majesty, the Emperor, expressed at the outset Imperial pleasure at the "increasing cordiality" in the relations between Japan and Treaty Powers.

"Our officers and men have already occupied and pacified important parts of China after successfully overcoming difficulties," the Rescript said.

"To attain the lasting stability, however, of East Asia by the establishment of a new order there, "the enhancement of the national spirit and the manifestation of the total forces of the nation are essential."

The Rescript stressed the "grave situation" confronting the nation.

At the opening of the 73rd Ordinary Session, last December, and at the opening of the 69th extraordinary session following the February mutiny in 1936, His Majesty also issued exceptionally long Rescripts.—Domei.

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Opera in 4 acts by Giuseppe Verdi
Monday, December 26 and Wednesday, December 28
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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

U.S. Commodities

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 24.

Lessened fears of pressure from the southern hemisphere, reports of good exports and a revival of demand kept prices steady in the Chicago Grain Pit today. After opening higher from yesterday's close, the market maintained its early gains and closed from ⅛ to ¼ cent up from the previous close.

Chicago Wheat

May	67½-67⅝	+¼
July	67⅛-67¼	+⅛

Chicago Corn

May	52⅜-52¼	—⅛
July	53¼-53⅜	—⅛

Winnipeg Wheat

May	62⅛-62⅜	—¼
July	62⅜-62¾	—¼

—Reuter.

Foreign Exchanges

London £ Sterling T. T. on:	Dec. 24.		
New York	466.50	Shanghai	8⅞
Paris	177.06	Bombay	1/5⅛
Berlin	11.63	Hongkong	1/3⅛
Amsterdam	8.58¼	Singapore	2/4
Brussels	27.27	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	100.00	„ (buying)	unq
Milan	88.60	C'slovakia	135.87S.
Berne	20.66	S.—Seller	

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:			
Berlin	40.10	Japan	27.23
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.30
Holland	54.36	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.63 1/16	C'slovakia	3.43½
Brussels	16.85½	Hungary	12.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.74
S'zrland	22.58½	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.03½	Greece	0.85⅝
Norway	23.45½	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	20.83½	Finland	2.06
Montreal	99.000	Poland	18.92½
Brazil	5.95		

Bombay Rupee T. T. on: closed.

London	4.66⅝
„ Demand	4.66½
„ Bankers' 60 days bills	4.65¾
„ Commercial 60 days bills	4.65¾
Buenos Aires, Paper	28.94
„ „ Market Rate	22.80
Montreal on London	4.71¼

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Dec. 24.		
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%	
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 1/16%	
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%	
„ „ „	6 months	3⅛%	
Call Money		0½%	

New York closed.—Reuter.

Chicago Wheat Market

Chicago, Dec. 24.

The severe heat in Argentina and the cold wave in Europe, leading to fears of crop damage, were sustaining influences in the Chicago Wheat Pit during the past week.

The expected pressure from the Southern Hemisphere, so far, has not materialized, and the grain trade now has the feeling that Australia and the Argentine will co-operate to prevent depressing prices in the world markets.

The Government report, tentatively indicating a crop of 200,000,000 bushels less than harvested last year, was construed bullishly.

The Federal Surplus Commodity Corporation disclosed that, during the past two days, it had sold approximately 2,000,000 bushels for export, mostly to Continental Europe.

While it is believed that known bearish factors have been well discounted, sentiment remains mixed.—Reuter.

Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.

The Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of the Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd. will be held in London on December 29, when the directors' report and statement of accounts for the year ended June 30, 1938 will be submitted:—

Extract from Directors' Report

The net result of the year's transaction shows a balance to the credit of Profit & Loss Account of £259,743, made up as follows:—

	£	
Share of Kailan Mining Administration's Profits less Expenses plus Interest in China		252,914
Interest in Europe		13,521
Agency Fees		6,000
Sundries		136
Balance brought forward		75,243
		347,819
Deduct:—		
Expenses in Europe	11,224	
Lord Mayor's Fund for Relief of Distress in China	500	
Loss on Exchange	41,436	
Reserve for National Defence Contribution	13,000	
Directors' Remuneration	4,200	
Income Tax	17,716	88,076
Making a total of	£259,743	

which the directors recommend should be appropriated as follows:—

Dividend of 7½% (free of Income Tax)	£147,000
Balance carried forward	112,743
	£259,743

Stricter Currency

Berlin, Dec. 25.

The Official Bulletin today announced further measures regarding currency control which will become even stricter.

The Bulletin stated that deliberate exports of capital will be considered as an infraction of the currency laws even if such exports are made through methods which do not directly come under the laws elaborated on the currency question.

Competent quarters asserted that the new decree will be an efficient arm against those attempting to take advantage of legal technicalities, and will also in no way hinder honourable exchange dealings.

The currency export rate of 10 marks per month will be limited to a restricted number of cases only and will be banned if the money is being sent as relief to persons living abroad.—Havas.

London Money Market

London, Dec. 24.

The continued pressure for loans in the London Money Market during the past week indicated that some difficulty would be experienced in carrying over commitments into the new year.

During the week clearing banks supplied the major portion of borrowers' needs, owing to the paucity of offerings from other institutions. This monetary stringency resulted in the average rate, at which Treasury Bills were alloted, rising to nearly 1⅝ per cent, compared with ⅝ per cent. for the same period last year.—Reuter.

Bombay Silver Stocks

Bombay, Dec. 24.

Stocks of silver in Bombay on Dec. 24, compared with the two previous weeks:—

Dec. 10 3,000, Dec. 17 2,500, Dec. 24 2,000 Bars.

N.B. The above figures include both English Bar and Indian Mint Silver.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 24.

For a Saturday and preholiday session, the action of Wall Street today was impressive. After opening slightly lower, prices rebounded moderately, with a good volume of business passing, to close at the day's high levels. The necessary impetus was received from rails, which were influenced by the constructive report of the Presidential Rail Committee, combined with continued good business news and forecasts of a good upturn early in the New Year. The turnover today amounted to 620,000 shares.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Change
30 Indust.	151.81	150.86	151.38	—0.01
20 Rails	32.11	31.33	32.03	+0.87
15 Utilities	22.07	21.50	22.04	+0.04
40 Bonds	—	—	89.59	+0.19
11 Commod.	—	—	Unq.	—

	Dec. 23	24
Adams Express	10	10½
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	26	26¼
Allis Chalmers	46⅛	46¾
Amerada Corp.	66¾	66¾
Amer. Can	100	100
Amer. & For. Power	2⅞	3
„ „ $7 pfd.	16¼	17
Amer. Locomotive	28¼	29
Amer. Metal	38½	38
Amer. Radiator	17½	17⅜
Amer. Rolling Mill	20¼	20½
Amer. Smelting	48⅞	49
Amer. Sugar Refining	19¾	19⅞
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	147½	147¼
Amer. Tobacco "B"	87¼	87
Anaconda Copper	34⅝	34⅛
Amer. Waterworks	12¾	12⅞
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	39¼	40⅞
Auburn	3½	B 3¼
Baltimore & Ohio	6¾	7¼
Barber Aspahlt Corp.	19⅝	19⅜
Barnsdall Oil Co.	18⅛	18⅛
Bethlehem Steel	75⅝	75½
Boeing Airplane Co.	31⅝	31⅝
Borg Warner	30⅜	31
Briggs Mfg. Co.	29¾	30¼
Eklyn-Manhattan Trans.	11¾	11⅝
„ $6 cum. pfd.	40	39
Can. Pacific Rly.	5⅜	5½
Case, J.I.	88¾	B 88¾
Chase Nat. Bank	Unq.	B 29¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	35⅛	36⅛
Chrysler	82¼	82⅞
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6⅛	6¼
„ „ "A" pfd.	70	B 70
Coml. Credit	56¾	57
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1⅜	1¼
„ $6 cum. pfd.	46	45
Consolid. Edison	30	30
Consolid. Oil	8⅜	8⅜
Continental Can	40½	40¾
Continental Oil	30⅜	30¾
Corn Products	63	63¾
Curtiss Wright (com.)	6⅝	6½
„ „ "A"	25⅞	26¼
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	19¼	19⅛
Douglas Aircraft	76⅞	76⅞
Du Pont de Nemours	150	150½
Eagle Picher Lead	12⅞	13
Elec. Bond & Sh.	9⅞	10¼
„ „ $5 pfd.	57½	B 57
„ „ $6 pfd.	63½	B 62¼
Elec. Power & Lt.	36	35½
Flintkote	23⅞	23⅞
Gen. Amer. Trans.	57½	57¾
Gen. Elec.	43	42⅜
Gen. Motors	49⅝	50¼
Gen. Rly. Signal	23⅞	24⅜
Clidden Co.	23	23¾
Goodich (B.F.)	23⅞	24
„ $5 pfd.	65½	B 65
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	37	37½
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	13¼	B 13¼
Great Nthrn. Rly.	28½	28⅞
Great Western Sugar	24⅞	25
Greyhound Corp.	21	20⅞
Hecker Products	10⅜	10½
Homestate Min.	6⅜	6½
Int. Nickel	55¼	55
Int. Tel. & Tel.	9⅛	9
Johns Manville	104	103
Kennecott	42⅛	42⅛
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	53½	53¼
Lockheed Aircraft	35¾	35⅜
Loew's Inc.	53⅜	53⅜
Manhattan Shirt Co.	12½	12½
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	33½	33¼
McKesson & Rob. $3 pfd.	9/9¾	9/9½
	B/A	B/A
Monsanto Chemical	105¾	105¾
Montgomery Ward	51⅝	52
Nat. City Bank	Unq.	B 22½
Nat. Dairy Products	12½	12¾
Nat. Distillers	27	—
Nat. Gypsum	15	15¼
Nat. Lead	26	26¼
Nat. Power & Lt.	7⅝	7½
Nat. Supply Co.	13¾	13⅞
New York Central	19½	20¼
North Amer. Aviation	17¼	17⅜
North Amer.	21⅜	21⅝
Northern Pacific	11⅝	12¾
Pacific Gas & Elec.	28⅜	29
Pacific Lighting	42	42
Packard Motors	4⅜	4⅜
Paramount Pictures	12⅝	12⅞
Pennsylvania R.R.	21¾	22½
Phelps Dodge	41⅞	41⅞
Phillips Petroleum	42	41¾
Public Serv.	30¾	30⅝
Pure Oil	10¼	10⅛
Radio Corp. of Amer.	7½	7¾
Republic Steel Co.	23¾	24
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	43⅛	43⅛
Schenley	16	16⅛
„ 5½% pfd.	66	Unq
Sears Roebuck	73½	73⅜
Shell Union Oil	14¼	Unq.
Socony-Vacuum	12⅞	12⅞
Sthrn. Pacific	19⅝	20¼
Sthrn. Rly. 5% pfd.	31¾	33
Stand. Brands	6⅜	6½
Stand. Gas & Elec.	3¼	3⅛
Stand. Oil of N.J.	51	52
Stone & Webster	16¼	16½
Swift International	27⅜	27½
Technicolor	21¼	Unq.
Texas Corp.	45⅞	46
Texas Gulf Sulphur	31¼	31
Transamerica	6½	6¾
Tw. Century Fox	25⅜	25½
„ „ pfd.	34	34
Un. Carbide & Carbon	89¼	89
Un. Pacific	90¼	91⅜
Un. Aircraft	40⅞	41⅜
Un. Air Lines Trans.	11¾	12¼
Un. Corp.	2	2¾
„ $3 pfd.	34¼	34
Un. Gas Corp.	2⅝	2⅝
Un. Gas Improvement	10⅝	10⅛
U. S. Rubber	51	51½
„ 8% pfd.	101¼	102½
U. S. Steel	66¾	67½
Vanadium	27⅜	27⅜
Warner Bros. Picts.	5¾	5⅝
Westinghouse Elec.	117¼	118
Woodward Iron	25½	Unq.

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Amer. & For. Power	51	Unq.
Brazil	9⅜	9½
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	18⅛	18⅜
Cities Serv. Pwr.	73	74¼
Erie R.R.	13	14
Int. Tel & Tel. 4½s	99⅞	Unq.
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	69	68⅝
New England Gas & Elec.	53½	54
Peru	9¼	9
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	51	52¾
Stand. Gas & Elec	59	59

A.—Asked. B.—Bid.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

by Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Holiday considerations confined price movements on the Stock Exchange today to a narrow range. Nevertheless, traders were pleased with the action of the market, notably with that of rails, which touched a new high in the current recovery movement. There are prospects that some businesses may finish the year under normal, but many quarters are of the opinion that stock prices will rise before the close of the year. The Department of Labour announced that November building permits were 43 per cent. above those of 1937, while the Federal Reserve Board reported that Department Store sales had crossed the 1937 level.

Improvement in Italian Trade Balance

Rome, Dec. 25.

If Italy's trade balance continues to improve, the annual deficit will decline to about Lire 3,000,000,000 this year, a decrease of Lire 2,000,000,000 over the balance in 1937. Il Messagero stated today.

The paper pointed out that for the first ten months of 1938 Italy's imports reached Lire 9,081,000,000 against Lire 11,242,000,000 for the same period last year, while exports attained Lire 6,481,000,000 against Lire 6,224,000,000, thus showing a deficit up to October of Lire 2,600,000,000.—Havas.

China's Nov. Foreign Trade

Net Imports Amount to $74,399,688 Total For The Year of $814,121,693

ACCORDING to the monthly returns issued by the Chinese Maritime Customs covering foreign trade of this country, net imports during November 1938 totalled $74,399,688; net exports $67,010,926. January—November figures were $814,121,693 and $703,020,251 respectively, as compared with the corresponding figures last year of $900,776,786 and $783,026,661.

Net Imports

(Including Bond Withdrawals)

	November 1938 C.S. $	January-November 1937 C.S. $	January-November 1936 C.S. $
Cotton P. G. grey	[illegible]	[illegible]	10,772,716
Piece white or dyed	240,668	5,757,953	8,886,852
Piece printed	20,941	530,241	1,135,742
Piece miscellaneous	30,661	1,032,300	517,835
Cotton raw, yarn	1,584,067	20,227,366	13,711,380
Cotton Manu., sundry	[illegible]	2,471,223	2,702,446
Flax, ramie, hemp	1,210,054	19,571,171	15,310,757
Wool and manu.,	[illegible]	33,335,431	17,612,352
Silk	2,745,414	15,015,417	14,765,182
Metals and ores	4,276,909	147,504,982	60,920,534
Machinery and tools	5,062,253	62,382,478	49,719,913
Vehicles and vessels	2,322,291	40,211,317	31,455,185
Metal manu.,	2,673,394	39,304,948	27,046,573
Fishery products	1,413,909	12,638,894	8,531,001
Canned goods	1,117,290	7,668,135	8,366,675
Cereals and flour	6,648,425	52,257,073	126,285,[illegible]
Fruits, seeds	1,132,476	5,425,588	11,626,484
Medicinal goods	635,033	6,761,963	6,186,381
Sugar	2,350,338	21,593,752	18,047,719
Wines, beer	405,189	1,164,323	2,514,964
Pharmaveuticals	3,701,912	58,119,529	54,021,148
Dyes, varnishes	2,576,943	36,327,685	23,716,341
Candies, resins, etc.,	7,839,790	108,612,615	82,936,559
Books, maps, paper	4,843,035	62,900,523	40,783,807
Hides, leather, etc.,	366,381	4,259,631	4,051,287
Timber	2,626,031	22,723,030	19,754,199
Bamboo, straw, etc.,	839,801	6,706,130	5,827,347
Coal, fuel, tar	5,160,651	5,350,832	18,007,726
Chinaware, etc.,	435,494	5,355,661	3,330,763
Stone, earth	522,276	3,266,475	3,448,578
Sundry	3,709,261	85,966,483	99,233,281
Grand Total	74,399,688	900,776,786	814,121,693

Net Exports

Animal products	11,214,160	114,546,932	166,362,863
Hides, leather	673,861	52,773,852	18,352,561
Fish products	371,460	2,541,626	2,502,257
Beans and peas	582,603	6,293,725	2,312,357
Cereals	785,404	15,037,340	3,108,330
Dyestuffs, vegetables	22,161	1,633,514	933,115
Fruits, preserves	1,260,762	10,406,339	8,881,055
Medicinals	721,235	10,967,251	10,693,684
Oils, tallow, wax	2,628,596	121,331,532	50,686,190
Seeds	871,129	34,760,893	17,593,072
Spirituous beverages	78,699	1,370,402	1,115,523
Sugar	15,940	633	87,025
Tea	4,216,343	28,253,213	30,354,276
Tobacco	1,304,408	8,580,036	8,341,149
Vegetables	626,878	10,364,530	9,496,550
Vegetable products	944,291	7,961,605	5,487,817
Bamboo	81,899	2,744,660	1,849,164
Fuel	1,825,209	14,258,966	14,954,526
Rattan	1,249	150,847	103,054
Timber	166,790	3,276,573	2,789,717
Paper	638,065	6,437,244	7,198,139
Textile fibres	14,059,885	122,160,216	154,056,534
Yarn, thread	7,320,270	45,666,943	57,427,632
Piece goods	2,583,270	21,244,667	22,268,830
Other textiles	1,919,508	11,972,821	13,444,050
Ores, metals	5,403,580	91,396,456	102,747,947
Stone, earth, etc.,	562,806	4,351,542	5,198,378
Glass, glassware	175,089	388,602	883,678
Chemicals	1,081,946	7,172,519	7,088,286
Printed matter	452,673	2,219,976	3,017,859
Sundry	4,310,697	24,657,152	33,727,919
Grand Total	67,010,926	783,026,661	703,020,251

IMPORTS FROM AND EXPORTS TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES, VALUE OF GOLD AND SILVER BY COUNTRIES

	Gold			Silver		
	November 1938	January-November 1937		November 1938	January-November 1937	1938
	G.U.	G.U.		$	$	$
Imported From						
British India			231,108			
Great Britain	292	281				372
Hongkong	262,952	6,561,636			502,000	
Japan					92,880	
Total Imports	253,244	6,793,027	*	594,880		372†
Exported To						
Great Britain		24,555,334				6,771,153
Japan					607	
Hongkong	2,822,277	615,725	79,530	334,743,412		72,162,668
Other Countries			36,335			1,330,168
Total Exports	27,377,661	615,725	115,865‡	334,744,019		80,253,99[illegible]
Hongkong	252,953	6,561,638		92,880		

*Bank-notes, face value Chinese $18,530,000, and Yen 4,350,000 were imported during the month.

†Not including nickel and copper subsidiary coins, value $2,367,151 and Bank-notes, face value Chinese $602,020,294, Hongkong $131,000, Yen 14,431,400, Piastres 12,540, English £54,204 and U.S. $156,665.

‡Not including bank-notes, face value Chinese $201,877, Hongkong $186,000 and Yen 10,000.

§Not including nickel and copper subsidiary coins, value $440,000 and bank-notes, face value Chinese $146,843,687 Pistres 194,536, Singapore $36,138, Guilders 35,393, Hongkong $7,585,974, Yen 3,080,000, Philippine Pesos 8,545, English £91 Canadian $4,767, Indian Rupees 31,159, U.S.$34,804, French francs 123,766, Siamese Bahts 1,029, Australian £5,473 South African £608, Macao Patacas 403 and Belgian Francs 1,050.

IMPORTS FROM AND EXPORTS TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES: VALUE OF MERCHANDISE

	November 1938 G.U.	$	January-November 1937 G.U.	$	1938 G.U.	$
Imports						
Gross Imports	31,680,751		396,974,788		358,474,966	
Less Re-exports						
Abroad	420,378		942,191		2,921,191	
Net Imports	31,260,373	74,399,668	396,032,597	900,776,786	355,553,775	814,121,69
Exports						
Gross Exports	67,163,238		783,441,180		703,942,73[illegible]	
Less Reimports from Abroad	152,312		414,519		922,483	
Net Exports	67,010,926		783,026,661		703,020,251	
Total Net Imports and Exports	141,410,614		1,633,803,447		1,517,141,944	
Excess of Imports	7,388,762		117,750,125		111,101,442	

IMPORTS FROM AND EXPORTS TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES, VALUE OF GOLD AND SILVER

	November 1938 G.U.	$	January-November 1937 G.U.	$	1938 G.U.	$
Imports						
Gold Coins			113,799		1,451,526	
Gold Bullion			139,445		5,341,501	
Silver Coins				594,880		372
Total Imports		*	253,244	594,880	6,793,027	372*
Exports						
Gold Coins						
Gold Bullion			27,377,611		615,725	
Silver Coins	115,565			330,793,667		78,140,120
Silver Bullion	300			33,950,352		2,123,669
Total Exports	115,865*	27,377,611		334,744,019	615,725	80,263,989*
Total Imports and Exports	115,865	27,630,855		335,338,899	7,408,752	80,264,361
Excess of Imports					6,177,302	
Exports	115,865	27,124,367		334,149,139		80,263,617

*Not including nickel and copper subsidiary coins, and bank-notes.

Hungary Refuses Visa For Abbot Chao Kung

Trebitch Lincoln Refused Leave to Return Home

Budapest, Dec. 25.

The Home Ministry here refused the request by the famous adventurer Trebitsch Lincoln, who wanted to re-enter his country of origin, it was announced here today. Trebitsch Lincoln, who is now a Buddhist priest and resides in Shanghai under the name of Abbot Chao Kung, applied to the Hungarian authorities in July last, stating that he was "an old man who would like to spend his last days in the village in which he was born." His request was transmitted to the authorities here by the Buddhist monk, Tao La.—Havas.

Count Ciano to Visit Yugoslavia

Rome, Dec. 25.

Count Galeazzo Ciano, the Foreign Minister, has accepted the invitation of Dr. Milan Stoyadinovitch, the Yugoslav Premier, to a hunting party in Yugoslavia at the end of January.—Reuter.

Bombay Cotton Market

Bombay, Dec. 24.

Dull but steady conditions were witnessed in the Bombay cotton market during the past week. The necessity to cover December shipments, owing to small arrivals, kept the basis firm for Oomras. Actual buying, however, was on a very moderate scale, and purchases for account of mills were confined principally to staples, supplies of which may be inadequate.

Shipment inquiry was negligible, with the Continent, Lancashire and the Far East showing almost a total lack of interest.—Reuter.

Japanese Govt. Bonds

Osaka, Dec. 26.

Kogo 5% Y.103.55

—Reuter.

"Consulate Bag" Affair Not Yet Settled

Nationalist Leader Writes Complaints to Lord Halifax

Burgos, Dec. 24.

The Nationalist Press Bureau here published a special communique today upon the affair of the secret documents discovered in a British consular bag carried by the Vice-Consul at San Sebastian, Mr. Goodman, a few days ago.

Mr. Goodman's consular bags were for long utilized by the "Red" espionage system, the Bureau asserted. Only "a judicial inquiry will determine whether such activities were possible without the complicity of any British official."

Senor Jimenez Arau, head of this Bureau, wrote a letter to Lord Halifax, British Foreign Secretary, complaining over the attitude adopted by British newspapers which declare the whole affair to be nothing but a manœuvre aiming to hide alleged "terrible events" in Spain.

He is said to have informed Lord Halifax that among the effects in the consular bag that contained the secret documents were "military papers and money destined to inform and pay respectively spies who used extraordinary means in carrying out their assignments."—Havas.

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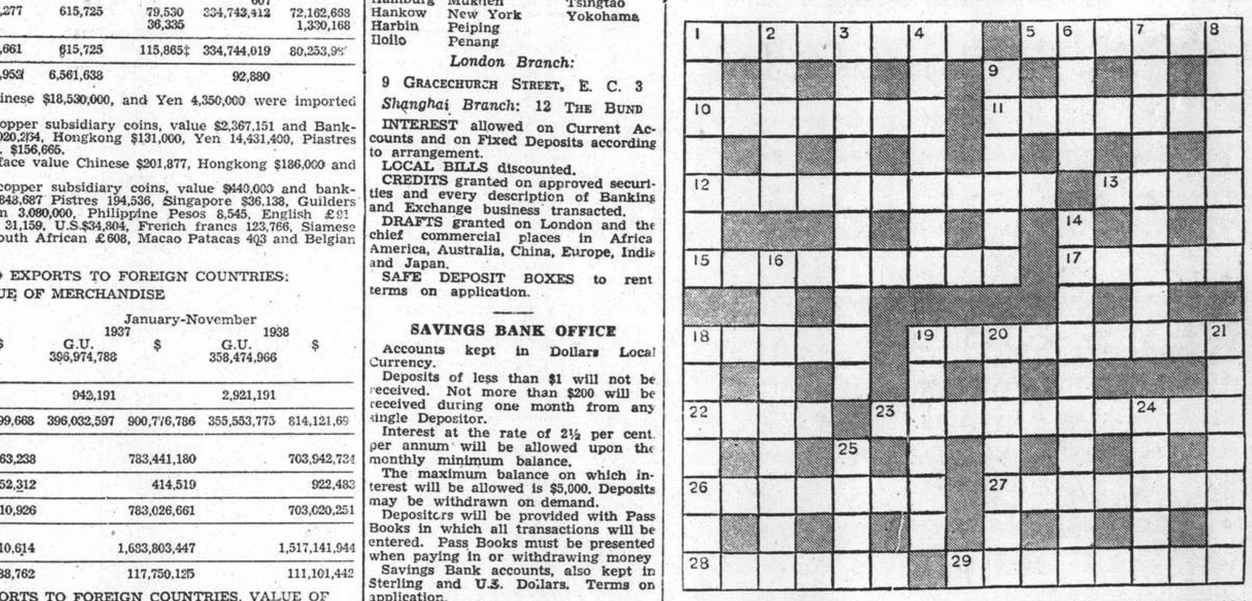

ACROSS

1 This may please where only man is vile
5 Quite a game to join two banks
10 To return
11 The saint seems to claim to be a Scottish dish
12 I place beds (anag.)
13 A mountain of old bones
15 They make great effort in the kitchen
17 Hamlet speaks of "the —— of something after death"
18 The pretence sounds feeble
19 Parliament is jealous of any interference with this
22 Synonym for the sea
23 Is this beauty forthcoming?
26 Idling about
27 His work is calculated to secure average results
28 One of 15 of puzzling kind
29 If it lost a letter this plant would be prominently billed (hyphen)

DOWN

1 One of the earthworks
2 The ship of the desert calls here
3 Appease and make favourable
4 Mere cat to burn
6 Dress of state
7 It may be seen at intervals from pit or stalls (hyphen)
8 Stone of value
9 Italian port
14 Man is tired (anag.)
16 Bit of Western Europe that has often changed hands
20 He may play first or second
21 Reject on examination
26 Not quite accurate
21 Tried—by way of composition?
24 Make proud
25 Factory fight

SOLUTION OF CROSS WORD No. 5

L	E	A	T	H	E	R		S	C	R	E	W	E	D
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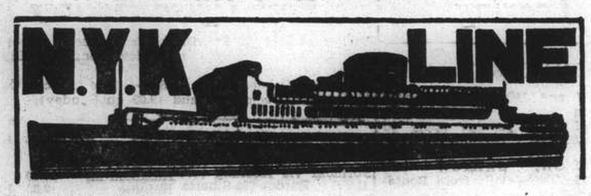

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*ASAMA MARU	Feb. 19

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	From Kobe
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	From Hongkong
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TAIYO MARU	Jan. 25
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SHANGHAI MARU	Dec. 31
NAGASAKI MARU	Jan. 2
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B	DEUCALION	Liverpool	Jan. 19	Jan. 20	Japan
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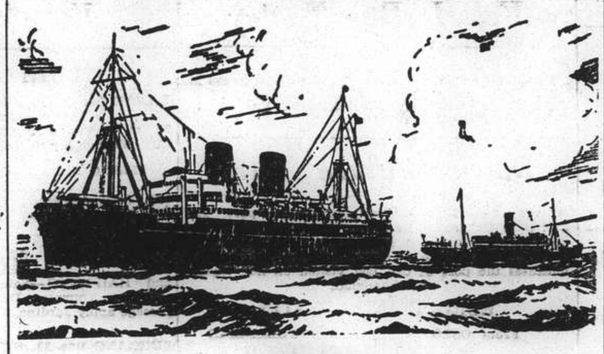

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SS. HOTEN MARU	Jan. 4	Jan. 6 at 9 a.m.
SS. DAIREN MARU	Jan. 6	Jan. 8 at 9 a.m.
SS. TSINGTAO MARU	Jan. 9	Jan. 11 at 9 a.m.

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Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
M. Francisca	Wenchow	Maria S.N.
Mohlenhof	Ningpo	Carlowitz
Jean Laborde	Hongkong	M.M.
Carthage	Hongkong	Mackenzie
Terukuni M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Promise	Chefoo	Tai Ping
Osumi M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Daikokusan M	Korean	Showa S.
Nanking	Japan	Ekman
Akita M.	Japan	N.K.K.
Chenyuan	Dairen	D.K.K.
Vigo	Paimaokow	Inter. Nav.
Hanna	Haimen (Ch.)	G.F.E.
F. Consolini	Foochow	C.I.N.
Yamagata M.	Osaka	N.Y.K.
Wusueh	Hsinkong	B.&S.
Hoten M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
C'stine Moller	Singkiang	Mollers'
Talien	Tsungming	Wan Woo
Changteh	Tungchow	B.&S.
Liesel	Hupukow	Chin Dah
Liwo	Chitung	Jardine
Faro	Tsungming	P.N.&T.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Kiangting	Ger.	Foo Hwa
Liesel	Ger.	Chin Dah
Ave-Maria	Port.	Tung Lee
Livatho	Gre.	Mei Shun
Tungwo	Br.	Jardine
Hansi	Ger.	G.F.E.
Heini	Ger.	Dah Yung
Whangpu	Br.	B.&S.
Tejo	Port.	I.C.R.N.
Haikong	Ger.	Keh Lee
Wantung	Br.	B.&S.
Jenny Molier	Br.	K.M.A.
Emp. of Russia	Br.	C.P.R.
Changning M.	Jap	N.K.K.
Husan M.	Jap	N.Y.K.
Taiyo M.	Jap	N.Y.K
Tseangtah	Br	Mow Tung
Tjibadak	Net	J.C.J.L.
Helenus	Br	B.&S.
Pipina	Gre.	Wallem
Sacramento	Am.	---
Taisang	Br.	Jardine
Shinnwa	Br.	G.L. Snaw
Tembien	Ital.	C.I.N.

Passenger Lists

mv. Jean Laborde arrival

Amongst the passengers who arrived yesterday in mv. Jean Laborde were:—

Mr. P. Millet, Mrs. P. Millet, Mr. L. T. Earnard, Mr J. P. Schindler, Mr. Corvez, Captain A. Robin, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gottlieb, Mr. R. Haeffely, Mr. and Mrs. Bouchier, Miss L. Melzer, Mr. and Mrs. K. Sealholm, Mr. G. Guery and Messrs. E. H. Szanto, H. Hobden, H. A. Reshetov, M. A. Konstantinov, A. Leinung, S. Lubimov, M. Baumgarten, R. Sterz, C. Steenhauwer, Th. Hohn, E. Nothmann.

Vessels Due To-day

From		From	
LONDON:	Bhutan	NAGASAKI:	Nagasaki M.
NEW YORK:	Peter Maersk	TIENTSIN:	Yatshing
VANCOUVER:	Emp. Japan	HONGKONG:	Yochow
S. FRANCISCO:	Taybank		

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited on her voyage to Shanghai.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From OSLO

Triton	19/10	1/1
Tarn	19/11	12/1
Talabot	17/12	12/2

From GDYNIA

Titan	15/11	7/1
Eumaeus	13/12	3/2

From GLASGOW

Sarpedon	19/11	4/1
Deucalion	3/12	19/1
Patrocius	17/12	1/2

From LIVERPOOL

Menelaus	19/11	3/1
Sarpedon	26/11	6/1
Lycaon	3/12	15/1
Deucalion	10/12	19/1
Perseus	17/12	28/1
Patrocius	24/12	1/2

From LONDON

Bhutan	12/11	27/12
Behar	28/11	5/1
Rajputana	2/12	9/1
Soudan	10/12	23/1
Kanchi	16/12	23/1
Yasukuni M.	23/12	27/1

From HAMBURG

Potsdam	26/11	30/12
Triton	13/11	1/1
Lippe	12/11	4/1
Panama	15/11	7/1
Zuiderkerk	21/11	14/1
Elbe	10/12	16/1
Gneisenau	24/12	27/1

From ROTTERDAM

Preussen	25/11	9/1
Zuiderkerk	11/11	14/1
Leverkusen	8/12	20/1
Tjikembang	29/12	11/2
Talabot	27/12	12/2

From ANTWERP

Zuiderkerk	21/11	14/1

From LIVORNO

Leverkusen	19/12	20/1

From GIBRALTAR

Yatsukuni M.	26/12	27/1

From MARSEILLES

Athos II	9/12	6/1
C. Roussel	23/12	20/1

From GENOA

Zuiderkerk	11/12	14/1
Victoria	22/12	15/1

From TRIESTE

Himalaya	20/11	9/1

From MALTA

Ranchi	26/12	23/1

From ADEN

Soudan	26/12	23/1

From COLOMBO

Potsdam	19/12	30/12
Athos II	24/12	6/1
Himalaya	21/12	9/1
Preussen	20/12	9/1
Rajpurana	26/12	9/1
Tarn	24/12	12/1

From KARACHI

Sumatra	15/12	11/1

From PENANG

Eumaeus	24/12	6/1
Lippe	20/12	7/1

From SINGAPORE

C. Rosso	25/12	31/12
Triton	25/12	1/1
Menelaus	24/12	4/1
Behar	21/12	5/1
Sarpedon	26/12	6/1
Titan	27/12	7/1

From SOERABAIA

Tjisalak	19/12	5/1
Tjisadane	23/12	7/1

From BATAVIA

Tjisalak	23/12	5/1

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK

Peter Maersk	10/11	27/12
Chi. Prince	—	28/12
Silveryew	23/11	12/1
Gert. Maersk	23/11	12/1
C. Florence	19/11	15/1
Eskbank	7/12	24/1
Grete Maersk	10/12	25/1
C. Bedford	17/12	14/2
Stentor	27/12	16/2

From VANCOUVER

Emp. Japan	—	27/12
Oakbank	—	10/1
Talthybius	27/12	21/1

From SEATTLE

Talthybius	17/12	21/1

From SAN FRANCISCO

Taybank	30/11	27/12
Silveryew	10/12	8/1

From LOS ANGELES

Bidevind	9/11	30/12

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

From YOKOHAMA

Chitral	27/12	2/1
Aeneas	27/12	6/1

From KOBE

Shanghai M.	28/12	30/12
Taiyo M.	31/12	2/1

From MIIKE

Serooskerk	2/1	5/1

From NAGASAKI

Nagasaki M.	31/12	1/1

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From LOUR. MARQUES

Nolisement	—	5/1
Tegelberg	3/12	22/1
Harmattan	—	7/2

From TAMATAVE

Tegelberg	27/12	22/1

From MELBOURNE

Nellore	3/12	9/1
Tanda	4/1	9/2

From RABAUL

Nellore	25/12	9/1

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN

Dairen M.	26/12	29/12
Tsingtao M.	30/12	1/1
Hoten M.	1/1	4/1
Dairen M.	3/1	6/1

From TAKU

Hsin Peking	21/12	29/12

From TIENTSIN

Yatshing	20/12	27/12
Fooshing	19/12	28/12
Yusang	23/12	28/12
Wosang	24/12	29/12
Yingchow	25/12	1/1
Shuntien	30/12	1/1

From HSINKONG

Tungwo	27/12	27/12

From NEEDOOKONG

Whangpu	27/12	27/12

From HAIMEN

Wantung	27/12	27/12

From HONGKONG

Yochow	23/12	27/12
Tingsang	23/12	28/12
Tsinan	21/12	28/12
Sinkiang	25/12	29/12
Kwaisang	24/12	29/12
Suiyang	23/12	30/12
Yunnan	27/12	31/12
Zsang	27/12	31/12

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

KAIPING Dec. 27. CHINWANGTAO DIRECT.—The Kailan Mining Administration will despatch the steamer Kaiping, Captain E. Muton, on Tuesday, December 27, 1938. For passage apply to the Agent, 20 Foochow Road. Tel. 11070. 27-12

SHENGKING Dec. 27. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Tuesday, Dec. 27, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 27-12

YOCHOW Dec. 29. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Thursday, Dec. 29, at 8 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 28-12

TINGSANG Dec. 30. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Buoys on Friday, Dec. 30. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 30-12

KWAISANG Dec. 31. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, Dec. 31. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 31-12

FAUSANG Jan. 1. TSINGTAO.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, Jan. 1. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 1-1

SOUTH CHINA COAST

KIUNGCHOW Dec. 28. SWATOW, HONGKONG, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 2 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 28-12

Vessels Leaving

SOUTH CHINA COAST

TSINAN Dec. 29. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Thursday, Dec. 29, at 7 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 28-12

YATSHING Dec. 29. FOOCHOW, SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, Dec. 29, at 6.30 a.m. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 28-12

YUSANG Dec. 29. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, Dec. 29, at p.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 29-12

SINKIANG Dec. 30. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Friday, Dec. 30, at 7 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 29-12

WOSANG Dec. 31. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, Dec. 31. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 31-12

SUIYANG Jan. 1. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Sunday, Jan. 1, at 7 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 31-12

STRAITS AND EUROPE

NANKING Dec. 27. ALGIERS, ORAN, CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, OSLO and GOTHENBURG.—The Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.'s m.s. Nanking will leave Shanghai on or about December 27, for the above mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading to all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. Cargo for U.K. ports accepted on Optional Bs/L. For freight and passage please apply to the Ekman Foreign Agencies Ltd., Hamilton House, Foochow Road Entrance. Tel. 11330. 27-12

BANGALORE Dec. 30. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, LONDON, HULL, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM and ANTWERP via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—For Freight Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 30-12

AFRIKA Jan. 2. PORT SAID, JAFFA, HAIFA, BEYROUTH, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and COPENHAGEN via HONGKONG and SINGAPORE.—The East Asiatic Co.'s Motorship Afrika, Captain E. Broholm Jensen, will be despatched from here on or about January 2, for the above-mentioned ports. Cargo accepted on through Bills of Lading to all Continental, Baltic and Scandinavian ports. Optional Bills of Lading issued to U.K. ports., For freight and passage apply to Agency of The East Asiatic Co., Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 15055. 2-1

CHITRAL Jan. 3. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 9.30 a.m. Tuesday, January 3, 1939. Hand packages only will be accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage will be received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, January 2, Customs Permit required for any nailed cases For Freight and Passage apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 3-1

GAZANA Jan. 4. BOMBAY and KARACHI via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG and COLOMBO.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 4-1

JEAN LABORDE Jan. 5. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 Avenue Edward VII. Tel. 82034. 5-1

AENEAS Jan. 7. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM and GLASGOW.—First Class Passenger Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund, Tel. 82020. 7-1

REGENSBURG Jan. 9. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and BREMEN via HONGKONG, SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BELAWAN, COLOMBO, PORT SUDAN and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L. 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 9-1

POTSDAM Jan. 10. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID. For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L. 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 10-1

AMERICA

NIEL MAERSK Jan. 1, 1939. LOS ANGELES and via PANAMA to NEW YORK, BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE, SAVANNAH and NORFOLK. For Freight and Passage apply to Melchers & Co., Agents, Maersk Line, 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15565. 1-1

AUSTRALASIA

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